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Democratic Event Features Corzine, Candidates Endorsed

In one of his most recent stops on a statewide campaign for the executive office, Democratic gubernatorial candidate and U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine (D-NJ) appeared at a local democratic event Sunday night to deliver the key points in his campaign as he looks toward the November election.

Talking on a broad range of issues at the Princeton Community Democratic Organization's "Candidates' Night" at the Suzanne Patterson Center, Mr. Corzine said his aim would be to end the long line of corruption in state politics and the practice of "pay-to-play."

The event gave Mr. Corzine an opportunity to expand on his platform, as well as stumping for candidates of the 15th Assembly District, Mercer County Sheriff, Mercer County Freeholder, and for candidates of the Democratic State Committee. Mr. Corzine, who gave a broad overview of his stance on the issues in an unscripted 15-minute presentation, said that while he is happy with his accomplishments in the U.S. Senate, he would rather work out of Trenton than Washington D.C.

"I really do think we can make a difference in how the world is going to work

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School Board Eyes Budget Cuts

The Princeton Regional School Board announced budget cuts of \$1.3 million for the 2005-06 budget at its meeting on Tuesday, February 15, as well as several additional budgetary items that would force a \$1.87 million second question on the April budget vote.

Several items on the second question focus on academic intervention and support, including an in-house program for preschool autistic students, at a cost of \$155,000; after-school literacy and math tutorials for grades four through 12, at a cost of \$97,600; four elementary early intervention teachers at a cost of \$260,000; and four staff members for each of the elementary schools who would provide combined support, including the work of a guidance counselor, social worker, and language consultant, at a cost of \$320,000.

The second question also addresses the Title IX lawsuit filed in the fall by parents of high school softball and ice hockey parents, which states that the district is denying educational benefits to the girls' teams on the basis of gender. The district has set aside \$150,000 for middle school and high school field upgrades, including John Witherspoon's softball field. The district also set aside \$12,200 to increase competitive opportunities and travel expenses in middle school athletics.

An additional \$100,000 for technical equipment at Princeton High School is part of the second question, as well as \$85,000 to provide additional support for a middle school music program that was tailored for 30 students, but now has 120 participants. It would also finance an after-school instrumental program for elementary school students.

The district is looking to hire two full-time security monitors for the high school and middle school, as well as administrative support for Princeton High School, at a total cost of \$180,000. See story on page 9 for more information.

Funded by the state this year, the district is looking to reallocate \$215,000 for two teachers, two aides, and resources for the new preschool program at Johnson Park as part of the second question. This was done in part because the

district is not guaranteed state funding every year, said Board President Anne Burns.

The \$1.3 million in budget cuts bring the district down to a number that meets the state's new budget cap, as part of New Jersey's new S-1701 law. Last year Princeton was allowed a budget surplus of six percent; now however, it is only given a three percent surplus, which required the Board to closely examine programs not mandated by the state that could be cut.

This included Princeton Young Achievers and Springboard, two after-school programs for students which will no longer be funded by the district if the budget is passed by voters. The Board currently funds \$65,000 to PYA, and \$20,000 to Springboard's financial costs.

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Municipalities Ready to Grapple With Storm Water Regulations

As New Jersey begins to put into motion strict regulations to control storm water run-off pollution, municipalities throughout the state, all 566 of them, in fact, are faced with the daunting challenge of changing their ways to comply with a regulatory initiative that is viewed by many as the most sweeping effort in 20 years to protect water quality and preserve drinking water supplies.

At a meeting of the Princeton Community Master Plan Sub-Committee yesterday morning, members of the Princeton Regional Planning Board met to listen to a presentation by Joseph Skupien, of the Ringoes-based SWM (Storm Water Management) Consulting firm, as he explained how the planning board would have to factor in the new regulations in weighing development proposals, and what type of ordinances would need to be drafted by both municipalities in order to reflect and

recognize the new regulations.

The state rules, which were issued in March 2004 by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), require towns to adopt a storm water management plan.

The requirements involve a two-pronged process for municipalities. The first is DEP's municipal storm water regulation program and the second is the DEP storm water management rule. The municipal regulation program assigns towns to either a "Tier A" or "Tier B" classification with Tier A municipalities typically located within the more densely populated area or along coastal regions. Tier B municipalities are more rural and in non-coastal regions. Both Princeton Borough and Township fall under the Tier A designation.

Under the new rules, Mr. Skupien

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AN EYE ON TRENTON: U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine (D-NJ), a Democratic gubernatorial candidate, spoke Sunday at the Princeton Community Democratic Organization's "Candidates' Night" at the Suzanne Patterson Center in Princeton Borough. Mr. Corzine addressed issues ranging from health care and education to the environment.

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Princeton Youth Council To Address Teen Concerns

The Princeton Youth Council, formed last month at a brainstorming session at the Princeton Township municipal building, will give high school students from Princeton High School and Princeton private schools the opportunity to coordinate and develop programs with and for the high school youth of Princeton. The 24 students at the planning session discussed their interests and concerns, and examined what kinds of opportunities exist for youth in Princeton. Some of the key issues addressed were how to organize community events of interest to teens, how to let people know about them, and how to take responsibility for planning future events and programs.

The organizational meeting was planned and sponsored by the Princeton Youth Concerns Committee, chaired by John Witherspoon Middle School Principal William Johnson. The committee meets every month from September through June each year, with representatives from various Princeton organizations that work with youth, including the Township and Borough Police Departments, Human Services, the Princeton Family YMCA, YWCA,

Comer House, the Recreation Department, the Princeton Public Library, the Arts Council of Princeton, and Youth Stages.

Organizations represented by the committee invited to the first session included Corner House Student Board, Stuart County Day School, Princeton Day School, the Coalition for Peace Action, the Latin American Task

Force, the Princeton Public Library Teen Advisory and After School Advisory Boards, the Arts Council of Princeton, and the Teen Advisory Group of the Alcohol and Drug Alliance/Comer House.

Four Princeton-based organizations have agreed to organize and facilitate future Youth Council meetings: the Arts Council of Princeton, Princeton Family YMCA, the Princeton Public Library, and the Princeton Alcohol and Drug Alliance/Comer House.

For more information about the Princeton Youth Council, contact one of the following facilitators: Susan Conlon,

Princeton Public Library (609) 924-9529, ext 247; Helen Dao, Princeton Family YMCA (609) 497-9622, ext 227; Gary DeBlasio, Comer House Counseling Center (609) 924-8018, ext 261; or Randi Lund, the Arts Council of Princeton, at (609) 924-8777.

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Princeton HealthCare System (PHCS) has contracted a Chicago-based firm, AMDC Corp., to assist in the planning process as the hospital looks to build a campus within two and six miles of its current Witherspoon Street campus, according to Milind Khare, PHCS director of planning and business development. AMDC, who will be paid \$108,000 for this first phase of the project, will coordinate and manage financial consulting, market planning, market analysis, and real estate consulting. "They're sort of an overall project management firm," Mr. Khare said.

Representatives from the **Princeton Health Care Task Force**, composed of Princeton Borough and Township elected, planning, zoning, and health officials, were scheduled to appear before Borough Council last night to deliver the findings of an analysis of the Princeton HealthCare System (PHCS) strategic plan, which outlines the hospital's long-term goals. Representatives from the task force are scheduled to appear before Township Committee at Township Hall on Monday, February 28, at 7 p.m. The task force report is available at <http://www.princetonntp.org> under the "Announcements" banner.

Borough Council was scheduled to meet with department heads of the Sewer Operating Committee, public works, and the finance and assessment departments last night as part of an annual review of its staff. Council was also scheduled to discuss snow and ice removal on Borough sidewalks. The next departmental meeting will be held tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m., when the Council is scheduled to review the police and engineering departments.

The **Princeton Environmental Commission** will hold a regular meeting this evening at 7:30 p.m. at Township Hall to discuss municipal execution of the new state Clean Water Act and storm water management. The session will include a report by Borough Engineer Carl Peters, Township Engineer Robert Kiser, and Joseph Skupien, president of the Ringoes-based SWM Consulting, the storm water management consulting firm contracted by both municipalities.

The **Princeton Senior Club**, in observance of Black History Month, will hold an event honoring the community's "firsts" in black history this Friday, February 25, at 1 p.m. at the Suzanne Patterson Center behind Borough Hall.

The next regular **Community-Based Retail Neighborhood Initiative** meeting has changed to this Friday, February 25, at 8:15 a.m. at Mediterra on Hulfish Street.

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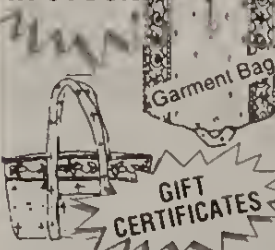
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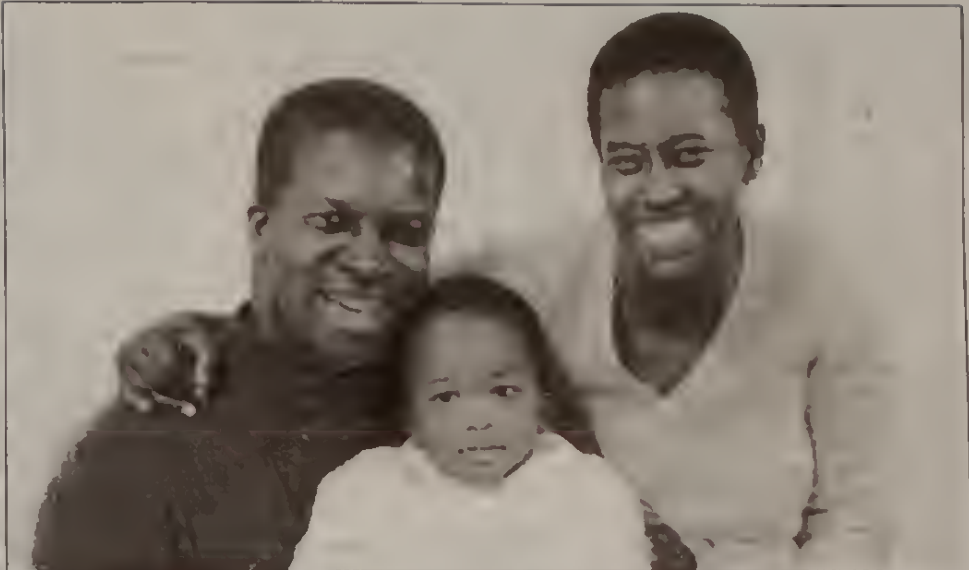
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COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVISTS: Noel "Hugh" and Paula Gordon were recently honored by Princeton University's Community House through a booklet, "Unsung Heroes," which honors the achievements of African-American Princeton residents. Mr. Gordon is honored for leaving his 15-year international business and law career to open a consulting firm in Princeton where he could be closer to his wife and son, three-year-old Duarte. The couple also helped co-found the United Negro College Fund in Princeton. (Photo courtesy of Community House)

African-American Princetonians Are Honored As 'Unsung Heroes'

In recognition of Black History Month, 28 Princeton residents were recently honored by Princeton University's Community House through a booklet, *Unsung Heroes*, which outlines the community work of some of Princeton's African

Americans, with photos, poems, and biographies.

Co-sponsored by the Princeton Public Library, the booklet honors African Americans "who in their own way have contributed vastly to the overall development and fiber of Princeton and the surrounding

sponsors that these tributes will continue for many years to come," according to the booklet's Introduction. "Ultimately, we hope by acknowledging and celebrating the life history of these individuals we can share in their legacy while building new dreams."

Four Princeton educators were also honored, including Ronald Celestin, a physical education teacher at Riverside Elementary School. Born in Haiti, Mr. Celestin came to Princeton as an adolescent, facing a language barrier and culture shock as he attended Princeton High School, to which he returned in 1986 as a teacher; he has since coached boys' soccer at PHS, and has been an assistant coach for Princeton University's women's soccer team since 1995.

Frances Craig was honored as a lifetime Princeton resident who has taught in Princeton public schools for more than 38 years. Robert Vivens, a history teacher at PHS, has coached almost every sport the school offers, including

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area through their profession, talent, or their everyday lives," said Marjorie Young, director of Community House.

Among the unsung heroes is William J. Skipwith, honored for his lifetime achievements as a devoted member of the Princeton community, as well as a member of the First Baptist Church for more than 70 years; he is currently the chairman of the deacon board, the highest lay position in the church.

Besides working as a mail carrier and special delivery messenger for 20 years, he has served as president of Princeton Young Achievers, and is a member of the Witherspoon/Jackson Neighborhood Association. Mr. Skipwith also served 20 years in the United States military, retiring as a major.

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football, wrestling, field hockey, and even cheerleading.

Among the pastors honored were the Rev. Carlton E. Branscomb, the newly-appointed senior pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Witherspoon Presbyterian Church's Rev. Muriel Burrows, who arrived in the United States as a political exile from Durban South Africa in 1982.

Community Service

Thirteen Princeton residents were honored for community service, including Penny

Edwards-Carter, who was the first female and first African American to become Borough clerk in Princeton, and was employed by the Borough for 34 years before retiring.

Described as a "walking encyclopedia of community service," Fannie Floyd was honored for her many contributions to the Princeton community, which include being a member of the Princeton YWCA Board of Directors and the Board of Planned Parenthood.

Newly-elected Township Committeeman Lance Liverman was recognized for his lifelong dedication to his fami-

ly, his work, and his town, and Shirley Ann Satterfield, a fourth-generation Princetonian, was honored for her many contributions to Princeton as a teacher and guidance counselor, as well as a member of numerous boards and committees since her retirement.

Grace Brown and Michael Yates, both late Princeton residents, were honored for their life achievements. Ms. Brown was a dedicated employee at the Nassau Club for 44 years, and Michael Yates was described by loved ones as the "gentle giant" in the family.

A love story is also told

through the booklet, as it describes the marriage, divorce, and remarriage of Marilyn and Ronald Yates. Divorced in 1959 after a nine-year marriage, the two reunited in 1998, and together have raised eight children, and now have 15 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Other recipients include Albert Hinds, Jacqui Swain, Rev. Vernard Leak, Rev. Jerry Foreman, and Noel and Paula Gordon for community service; Eric and Minnie Craig, Susie Johnson, John Broadway, Jacqui Swain, Anne Marie Joachim, and James and Sonja Pierce for life achievement; and Joyce Robinson for education.

Photos and biographies of all of the recipients will be on display in the foyer of the Princeton Public Library through the end of February.

—Candace Braun



'STRONG WORK ETHIC': Newly-elected Township Committeeman Lance Liverman was honored in "Unsung Heroes" for the hard work and dedication that resulted in the success of Liverman Associates, a real estate holding company in Princeton.



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In November 2004, Miramax Films invited The American Boychoir to perform at the U.S. premiere of *Les Choristes*, a film that had already taken France by storm. Its storyline reads like a French Dead Poets' Society, driving home lessons about friendship and the bond of brotherhood. Set in a home for troubled boys and orphans in post-World War II France, *Les Choristes* is an inspirational story about the power of redemption through song. The choir sang several selections from the soundtrack at the January premiere party and Miramax officials were so pleased with what they heard that they recommended the Boychoir to the producers of the Academy Awards.

On Sunday, February 27, the school will hold a benefit

gala to raise funds to cover the cost of the trip. Experience the excitement of the night as you walk down the red carpet, cast your votes for best film and watch the choir perform live on ABC.

Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 7 p.m., and black tie is optional. Tickets are available on four levels – chorus \$50, director \$100 (includes a signed photo of the boys at the Oscars), and producer \$250 (includes pre-show champagne reception).

To purchase tickets, or to give a donation, call the Oscar party hotline at (609) 924-5858, ext. 30. Information is also available on the choir's website at www.americanboychoir.org.

The American Boychoir's 2004-05 season has been packed with performances, beginning with a guest appearance at the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament with opera superstar Jessye Norman which was televised nationally on CBS. This performance was followed immediately by an appearance at The YouthAIDS

Foundation Benefit in New York City.

Most recently, the choir gave three successful performances of Mohler's Symphony No. 8 in Boston and at Carnegie Hall in celebration of James Levine's inaugural week as the Boston Symphony Orchestra's new music director. This was followed by a three week-long tour of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic regions of the United States, six appearances at Verizon Hall with the Philadelphia Orchestra, and two holiday concerts in its hometown of Princeton.

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Correction

A February 16 article on the Princeton Health Care Task Force support of the Princeton HealthCare System (PHCS) strategic plan misstated that task force members Norman Sissman and Mildred Trotman did not support the recommendation that the hospital should "make primary and emergency care easily accessible to residents" of the Borough and Township by maintaining an in-town emergency facility.

Dr. Sissman and Ms. Trotman, in fact, said that PHCS has an "obligation" to maintain a free-standing clinic and emergency center, should the hospital leave Princeton.

Town Topics regrets the error.

JWMS Student, Mother Report Stalker, Averting Potentially Serious Situation

When a 13-year-old John Witherspoon Middle School student came home last week to tell her mother that she thought someone was following her in his car, her mother told her to be wary, get the license plate number, but that there was probably nothing to worry about.

Within three days, Princeton Township Police had arrested a man, charging him with stalking.

The man, Kevin Waguespack, 39, of Toms River, was actually apprehended by two Princeton Borough Patrol Officers Chris Nash and Luis Navas after a community-wide report was sent out to the departments based on the complaints supplied by the young student.

Mr. Waguespack was subsequently arrested by investigating Det. Annette Henderson last Thursday after being taken down to Township Hall.

The complaints to the Township Police Department mobilized a comprehensive effort between the Princeton Regional School District, the PTO, and Princeton Borough, to capture the man who had been stalking the youth for several days. The effort averted what could have been a potentially serious situation, according to Det. Sgt. Ernie Silagyi, who, along with Det. Henderson, was the other investigating officer on the case.

"They were the best, they did everything right," said the girl's mother of the investigating officers. Her name and her daughter's name have been withheld on the mother's request. "I felt so good about the way Det. Henderson handled the whole thing. She took my daughter seriously."

And rightfully so. Township Police were notified of several incidents involving a suspicious vehicle that had been seen driving around the middle school for several days. The driver of the vehicle, a gray Kia Rio, was seen following the student around and was described by the student as a balding, white male in his 40s, later identified as Mr. Waguespack.

Not much information has been released on Mr. Waguespack's history except that it was determined that he had been in the Princeton area for business, and that there were reasons involving his past as to why warning

signs flashed when Det. Henderson did some background research.

Det. Sgt. Silagyi could only say that Township Police continued their investigation on merits based on the background check. Which was more than enough for the girl's mother. The next day, students throughout the school district were sent home with a notice informing parents of this complaint and to keep up their watch.

"I got so freaked out, I was scared to death," the mother said. "The very next day, I called the police and they told me that they were 'very concerned' and were taking it 'very seriously'."

The student is okay, according to her mother, but is still shaken after the ordeal. But ultimately, her mother praised the police's attentiveness and the quick thinking by her daughter: "That guy stalked the wrong kid in the wrong town."

Det. Sgt. Silagyi emphasized that if there is any situation where a student feels uncomfortable he or she should tell parents, the school, or the police immediately. Township Police also have programs in place to help students keep alert for these types of situations. He mentioned the Adopt-a-Cop program in the elementary schools, and the Adopt-a-School program where officers working during the day visit schools, allowing the police to get to know the school staff and vice-versa.

"Sometimes people think they're bothering the police and don't call us, but we take everything seriously until proven otherwise," Det. Sgt. Silagyi said.

Mr. Waguespack was charged with a fourth degree crime and faces up to \$10,000 in fines and 18 months in jail. He will be tried in Mercer County Court.

— Matthew Hersh

Rec. Department, Senior Center Host Trips

The Princeton Recreation Department and the Princeton Senior Resource Center will be hosting two community trips in the near future. The first trip is to the Philadelphia Flower Show and it is scheduled for March 8. The second

trip is to the Philadelphia Museum of Art to see the Salvador Dali Exhibition on April 26.

Registration forms are available at the Recreation Department located at 380 Witherspoon Street or at the Suzanne Patterson Center, located behind borough hall. The cost to participate is \$30 per person which includes a chartered bus ride and exhibition fee. For additional information, call the Recreation Department at (609) 921-9480.

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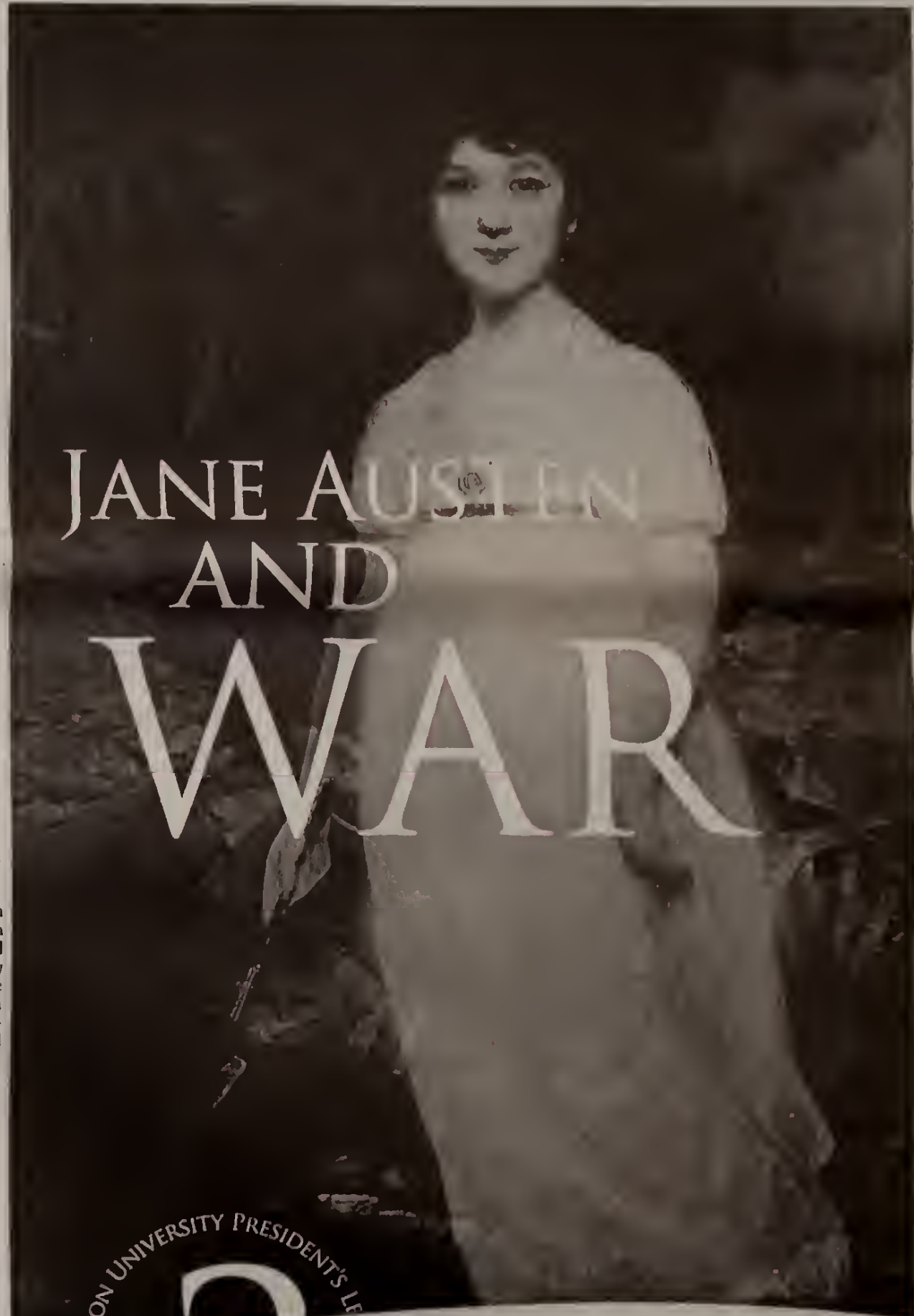
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The New Jersey State League of Municipalities inducted Mildred T. Trotman into the Elected Officials Hall of Fame during the 13th Annual Mayors Legislative Day at the State House Annex in Trenton on January 26.

The honor is reserved for local municipal governing body members who, as of December 2004, served for more than 20 years in elected municipal office. Ms. Trotman, 64, has served Princeton Borough Council since 1984, serving the last five consecutive years as Council President, as well as serving in the position three separate times in 1991, 1993, and 1996. She has also served as vice chair of the Mercer County Democratic Committee, as well as several Borough Council committees, such as public safety, affordable housing, personnel, and public works.

She is a member of the NAACP, the National Political Congress of Black Women-Mercer County Chapter, the Mercer County Democratic Black Caucus, the New Jersey Association for Elected Women Officials, and the League of Women Voters.

Ms. Trotman has been a Princeton resident since 1963.

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Dr. Susan N. McCoy, a Princeton gynecologist and infertility specialist, and Dr. Charles G. Clark, a retired gastroenterologist, were honored during a ceremony at University Medical Center at Princeton. Dr. Mark B. Levin, a Princeton pediatrician, and Dr. Michael Y. Wong, an ophthalmologist with offices in Princeton and Monroe Township, each received an honorable mention.

"Our community is fortunate to be served by physicians whose commitment to fulfilling a greater good doesn't stop at the end of the work day," said John S. Chamberlin, chairman of the PHCS board of trustees.

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— Pat Gorman, Queens, NY



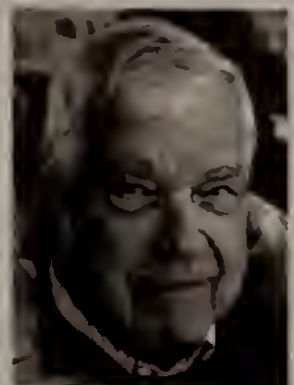
"I think that Gary Bettman is the worst commissioner that there has ever been. The principal fact is that there's no hockey and I love hockey. It's my favorite sport. Regardless of issues, there's no hockey season. That's twice since he's been commissioner that there hasn't been hockey for at least part of a season."

— Ben Baiser, New Brunswick, NJ



"I'm sorry that they cancelled it, for the players but I do not like professional hockey. I like all college sports. Professional hockey used to be much cleaner. It's now a dirty game with nothing but fights. Plus, I think it's a terrible example for our young kids."

— Becky Houston, Rossmoor

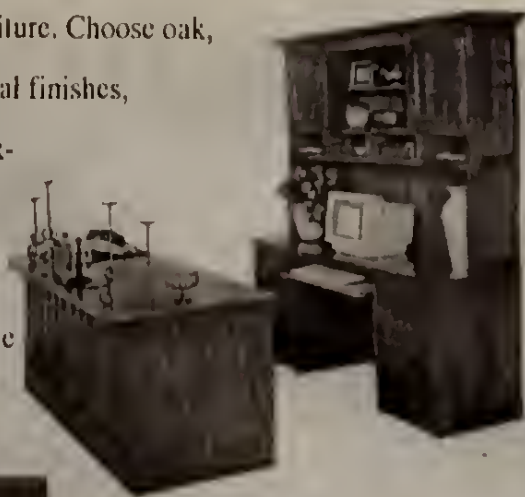


"Major disappointment. I love college hockey but it's going to put a lot of people out of work, especially the players. I don't think they are being very realistic about the cut of the market they have. However, I'm still a loyal fan and I'll come back to hockey when it returns."
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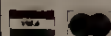
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Race Relations Are Addressed In Princeton Community Dialogue

Members of the Princeton community gathered at the Suzanne Patterson Center last week to discuss race relations in Princeton, and how to deal with recent problems among town youths. The community dialogue, a follow-up discussion to one held in November, was sponsored by the Princeton Human Services Commission (PHSC).

Education, parental concerns, police involvement, economics, and housing were among the topics that were addressed in small group sessions at the February 16 meeting. Race relations, however, received the most attention from the participants.

"This is an issue I've grappled with for as long as I can remember," said Andree Marks.

Others questioned why Princeton appears to be having more problems in recent months than it has had in the last several years.

"I've never in my life felt the way I feel here," said Ivonne Clark, a Latino and liaison to PHSC. "There is always that sense that someone is looking over your shoulder," she said, alluding to the mistrust she feels from retailers while shopping in downtown stores.

Lucy Pervin, a student at Princeton High School, said that while she doesn't feel there is a conscious effort to separate students at the high school, "when it comes to academic classes, there is a definitive line drawn." Youths need to be able to celebrate their cultural differences together, she said.

Former Township Mayor Jim Floyd said the biggest problem is that Princeton continually has discussions about the issues without ever taking action to resolve them.

"Twice a year we beat ourselves up over something we go out the next day and commit," he said, adding that tolerance and understanding need to be taught throughout the community.

April McElroy said she feels that the biggest problem in Princeton is denial of the problem: "There are people

who have been here for years who don't understand the issues here."

Cleo McCray said she feels that the biggest battle to overcome is to stop being concerned about what other people think and how other people act, and to live by example.

"I don't expect everyone to like me," she said. "You have to look at a situation through black eyes and white eyes."

Finding A Solution

Susan Conlon, teen services librarian at the Princeton Public Library, said that Princeton should look to the youths themselves to answer the questions they have on why things are the way they are. She told residents that she is currently part of a group of people putting together a Youth Council to discuss how students feel about the issues that exist in Princeton.

"I think we need to ask kids what they can contribute. Teens have a lot of time on their hands," she said, adding that the best solution is to "harness their energy and engage them in a constructive way."

Mr. Floyd recalled that when he was mayor one student sat as a representative on each of the Township's committees in order to stay involved in town events and to offer a youth perspective on issues. This is something that Princeton should consider trying again, he said.

Residents also suggested that education on race relations would be the best way to combat the existing problems. Mr. Floyd said that state legislators should get involved in the process by lobbying for educational reforms that would force schools to teach students about minority education all year long, not just during Black History Month.

"Go where your power is: in your money and in your taxes," said Mr. Floyd.

A teen center, a parent center, and a family center were all mentioned as ways to bring together community members into one space to

share together in common interests. One resident suggested going to look at the teen center in Summit, which has been successful for several years.

However, educating residents on race relations in Princeton was decidedly the most important action that needs to be taken.

"Maybe 200 people in our town know what's really going on here," said Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand. "Now we have to let the rest of the community know."

— Candace Braun

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Residents, Merchants Eye Possibilities Of an Ever-Changing Witherspoon

With hopes of putting together a community vision for the future of the Witherspoon Street corridor, residents and merchants convened at the Princeton Public Library last Wednesday to talk about the possibilities offered by the so-called "spine" of Princeton.

"Whither Witherspoon?" was the question as Princeton Future, a community group organized to examine the effects of in-town development considered the potential findings of its Witherspoon Street Corridor Study (WSCS). The purpose of last week's meeting was to summarize the findings of the study, still underway.

Princeton Future held three consecutive Saturday morning

brain-storming sessions last December for residents living on Witherspoon, but last week's meeting was geared to serve as a venue for merchants to voice their concerns on changes to the current hospital site; the changing commercial make-up of the section south of Wiggins Street and Paul Robeson Place; the impact development could have on the surrounding Witherspoon-Jackson neighborhood and other adjacent neighborhoods; and the need for improved bus stops and lighting.

Unlike the recent WSCS meetings, which focused on neighborhood character preservation as well, this session drew resident and merchant response from two main subjects: the commercial future of Witherspoon and the future of the University Medical Center at Princeton site.

Marvin Reed, the chairman of the independent Princeton Health Care Task Force, whose role was to make various zoning and planning recommendations for the hospital site based on goals in the hospital's strategic plan, said there was no set schedule for any zoning applications for the site, and that there would probably be none until potential buyers of the site surface.

Those task force recommendations, ten in all, were released last week in a report that is available on both the Borough and Township municipal websites.

"The report is very clear. The property needs to be re-zoned," Mr. Reed said. "It would need to be re-zoned were the hospital to expand, it would need to be re-zoned if something takes the place of the hospital."

Although trustees of the hospital voted unanimously last month to pursue plans to relocate the hospital, there would need to be plans put into place, according to Mr. Reed, that would anticipate the hospital expanding on-site, should UMCP be unsuccessful in its relocation pursuit.

Mr. Reed also pointed out that the Princeton Community Master Plan would need to be amended before suitors for the hospital's 11.76 acres on Witherspoon could close in on deals.

Addressing rumors that Princeton University is interested in putting a graduate housing facility there, which, like all graduate dorms would pay full property tax, Mr. Reed said that "some kind of swap" would not be possible "unless the master plan changed and unless the zoning is amended."

The task force does not have the authority to re-zone sites or dictate the planning process; its recommendations are simply guidelines. Forthcoming applications for variances and future development will be heard in the public venues of the Borough and Township zoning boards, and the Princeton Regional Planning Board.

Princeton if the town is dominated by "national chain stores that are able to pay rent."

He worried that, with the addition of more national chains, the Central Business District (CBD) would lose character, suggesting that towns like Greenwich, Conn. are draws for shoppers because those towns have more "locally-owned, unique and unusual shops."

Anne Neumann of Alexander Street agreed, saying Princeton should "hold the line on Witherspoon Street when it comes to national stores" and suggested the possibility of setting zoning restrictions.

Pam Hersh, director of the Office of Community and State Affairs at Princeton University, said Princeton has "done remarkably well in supporting small businesses" and individually owned stores.

Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce President Kristin Appelget agreed. In a separate interview, she said new stores like Subway are, in fact, franchises and privately owned by members of the community. She added that what arrives downtown is ultimately market-driven and determined by the people who shop there.

She also refuted suggestions to change the zoning to maintain a particular commercial character in Princeton.

"To try and assume that there's an entity to tell us where to go is a little bit antithetical to the whole capitalist system. A store will not locate here if there isn't a ready market."

Adding that there is a "blend" of businesses in town, Ms. Appelget said that it was "unfair to target and single out entrepreneurs who start businesses through a chain."

She was quick to point out that the Gap had closed on Hulfish Street to make way for Zoe, a privately-owned shop that has expanded to 4,000 square feet from its original 580 square feet of space across the street from its new location over the course of nine years.

David Newton, vice president of Palmer Square Management emphasized the blend of locally- and nationally-owned stores, saying the split in Palmer Square is about half and half.

"We're not about a bunch of mall-type concepts," Mr. Newton said, citing Halo Pub, Mediterra, and the Bent Spoon. He also said that many of the chains in Palmer Square are small chains, with three or four locations.

Anita Fresolone, Director of Marketing for Palmer Square, added that national stores actually help to bring in locally-owned ones because of the foot traffic they draw.

"Independent retail is alive and well in this town," Mr. Newton said.

—Matthew Hersh

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"Mall" Stores

The Witherspoon Street conversation quickly moved uphill toward the business district as some residents and merchants questioned the commercial make-up of the southern end of the corridor, toward Princeton University.

Nick Hilton, owner of Nick Hilton Studios, worried that out-of-town shoppers would have less reason to come to

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School Security Issues Are Debated By Princeton Parents, Board Members

What type of security the Princeton Regional School District should obtain for the middle school and high school in order to make parents, students, and faculty feel safe, but not overwhelmed, was debated for much of the school board's meeting on Tuesday, February 15.

New Superintendent Judith Wilson said the district's intention is to hire security monitors for the school rather than armed police known as senior resource officers, who would be funded by the district but employed by either the Borough or Township Police Department. Monitors would be hired and salaried by the district.

"We feel like we need to pump up security in the schools," said Board President Anne Burns in a recent interview. She added that she didn't feel there was enough support on the Board to hire SROs, but that there was a need for some type of clearly identifiable security, which will most likely be part of the district's April budget vote, in the form of a second question.

Several community members attending the meeting showed interest in including approximately \$90,000 in the district's 2006-06 budget to hire some kind of security for PHS and John Wither- spoon Middle School.

"Gang awareness and prevention is something this town needs to take seriously and do something about," said JW Principal Bill Johnson. "I am in support of anything....that will make the middle school and high school safer."

He told the Board that he has already started instituting programs at his school, including the Gang Awareness and Prevention Program (GAPP), which will bring in a former gang member from the state prison to speak to eighth grade students on the dangers of belonging to a gang. Mr. Johnson said he also recently distributed gang awareness videos to all faculty members.

Some students, however, were concerned about what kind of environment additional security would create in the schools.

"Many high school students don't look forward to this presence," read a letter by Tom Hillman and Emily Mokros, the student representatives on the Board. They added that the officer would shift the high school's environment from a friendly one to one where students would feel under suspicion.

"Students may become resentful of the mistrust this officer represents," they said, adding that they wouldn't want the officer to carry a weapon, and would want his main focus to be gang-related issues, and not the day-to-day activities of students.

Princeton High School Principal Gary Snyder said he feels there is a need for some kind of assistance in the schools, but did not say whether it should be an armed police officer or simply a monitor.

"For those seven hours they're in my building, I'm their parent....and there are times I wish I had a little more help," he said, adding

that the problems that have arisen lately have overwhelmed the guidance department, which will need some kind of assistance as well.

Another part of the April budget's second question is a possible additional \$90,000 for administrative assistance at the high school level, in the form of a school facilitator or dean of students.

Some Board members were against any type of additional security in the schools. Board member Walter Bliss said that as a father of four children, one of whom currently attends PHS, he feels that bringing added security into the schools would disrupt the environment.

"I want a family atmosphere in the schools," he said. "I don't want officers getting in between the students and teachers."

But some parents said they feel that the school isn't looking to hire tough enough security.

"A monitor is a going to be a watered-down rent-a-cop," said Carol Braun, the parent of a middle school and high school student.

Deborah Jordan, a member of the Princeton Alcohol and Drug Alliance, said she feels that just having a visible uniform will help prevent several problem activities around the high school, including drivers who speed down the street while children are present, area, which was the cause of a recent accident that critically injured a Princeton student.

While the issue of security was unaware of the details, officers was an emotional topic for some parents and faculty members, one Board member wanted to know why her own views. "I would say the gang violence problems in that if we can vote on the Princeton are being

addressed only by the schools, and not the municipalities.

"The Borough and Township are laying this on the school district....The incidents [relating to gangs] have occurred outside the schools, particularly the violent ones," said Board Vice President Charlotte Bialek.

She added that she hasn't seen either municipality lead any discussions on recent incidents in town, which included one in January outside of the Princeton Public Library, where upwards of 20 youths were using gang signals and making threatening remarks.

A Community Issue

The topic of municipal involvement in town issues was first sparked when the Board was asked to pass a resolution at the February 15 meeting that would show its support for the Township's completion of a missing link of sidewalk along Littlebrook Road. This was the second resolution passed by the Board in two months' time showing support for a Township issue. Last month the Board passed a resolution showing support for the Township adding sidewalks on Snowden Lane, a matter which has been heavily rejected by Township residents who live in the specified area.

"It's a Township Issue, not a school board issue," said Ms. Bialek, adding that she

was unaware of the details, including the sidewalk location that is in question, and felt it inappropriate to voice her own views. "I would say the gang violence problems in that if we can vote on the Princeton are being

Township should have a real discussion on these [gang-related] issues."

The Board met in closed session following the open public meeting, but no action was taken. Board members will continue discussing the different options for hiring security before presenting a formal budget proposal to the state on March 8.

— Candace Braun



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School Board

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Nancy Hartog, a member of PYA's Board of Trustees, pleaded with the school board to continue funding the organization.

"I'm quite impassioned about the needs of these kids and there are a lot of them," she said, adding that one-third of the organization's funding is provided by the district.

Superintendent Judith Wilson said the Board would consider continuing its support to PYA.

Due to a decrease in enrollment, the salaries and benefits of 10 aides (\$330,000), as well as three teacher positions (\$165,000), will also be removed from the budget, said the Board.

Ms. Wilson admitted that the current budget "leaves a lot of work undone and a lot of needs unmet."

The budget must be finalized by March 3, for a Board meeting discussion which will be held that night, said Ms. Wilson. It will then be sent to the state by March 8, and discussed in a public meeting on March 29. Residents will have the opportunity to vote on the budget and the second question during school elections on April 19.

In related news from the February 15 Board meeting, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the district to partner with the Princeton YMCA to implement the New Jersey After-3 Program at John Witherspoon Middle School. The program would provide month-long, enrichment-based activities for students from 3 to 6 p.m., said Ms. Wilson.

The program will be funded through a \$231,000 state grant, as long as the district can prove it is able to serve 200 students throughout the year, and maintain an 80 percent attendance rate.

The Board also approved a list of summer programs for the Princeton staff and community at John Witherspoon's new pool facility. The programs will include a competitive stroke program, as well as programs specified for faculty, senior citizens, and children, including swim lessons.

In addition, the Board approved a calendar for the 2005-06 school year. Classes will begin on September 8, and conclude on June 20, 2006, excluding snow days. Students will have breaks on September 6-7, November 7-9, December 23 through January 2, and April 8-16.

—Candace Braun

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Mr. Marx has more than 15 years of Linux and Unix experience and has served as an IT and software consultant for IBM, Pfizer, Merrill Lynch, and Morgan Stanley.

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Princeton Library to Host Series for Young People

The creative capacities of young people will be explored at Princeton Public Library during early-dismissal Wednesdays in March, when Samar El-Zein Hamati presents a series titled, "Masks, Mime, and Movement." Age-specific sessions will be held at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m., on March 2, 9, and 16.

A Princeton resident, Ms. Hamati is a veteran of Lebanese television and theater. She also appeared in the award-winning short "Kyrie Eleyson," as well as several American stage productions. Ms. Hamati studied under French theater master Jacques Lecoq and is the founder and director of Kinetic Theater, which blends improvisation, masks, and mime techniques. By observing people and the natural world and working in silence, children learn to express themselves creatively and without inhibition.

Ms. Hamati will offer two age-specific series. "Theater Games," which begins at 1:30 p.m., will show kindergartners through second-graders how to create stories by combining every day objects with imagination. They will also learn pantomime and will be encouraged to express emotions.

In "Ensemble Works," which begins at 2:30 p.m., students in grades three through five will work together to create an ensemble piece. They will learn to choreograph their work as they translate music into movement and feeling into shape and energy.

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Borough Council Hears Concerns Of Clerk, Fire, Health Departments

Borough Council met with the clerk and administration, health, and fire and housing departments last week to discuss their goals for 2005, and to determine what specific areas the Borough's funding currently supports and where additional funding may be needed.

One of the major challenges for the health department in 2005 is to research alternative funding to support various programs, including the cost of vaccinations for the flu clinic, a dental program for children, HiTops Preventative Health services for teens, and the rabies vaccination program. Without alternative funding, these programs will have to be reduced, said David Henry, the new health officer for the department.

State funding for the Borough's health department has steadily decreased over the last several years, particularly this year, after the state surveyed the amount of housing on Borough and Township land, said Mr. Henry: "We basically lost \$1,200 of funding in one year's time."

The health officer also told Council that the department is looking to assist area agencies in planning a regional response to any bioterrorism alert or other public health emergency.

One of the main points that William Drake, the Borough's fire official, made to Council was that while short one staff member, the Bureau of Fire Safety and Housing Inspection still holds strong, in large part due to the funding it receives from the Borough.

He pointed out that the department currently receives approximately \$150,000 per year in funding, as compared to \$100,000 four years ago.

"We're steadily increasing our revenue each year and we expect that to continue," said Mr. Drake, adding that small changes, such as the library's building and location, have made an impact on revenue.

As head of the department, Mr. Drake noted that there are far fewer fires in the Borough now than when he began his post in 1991, which is in part due to Princeton University establishing rules in the dorms regarding candles and other fire hazards.

Mr. Drake also boasted a strong customer service staff, but voiced a concern with the amount of time employees

must spend taking violators to court for housing issues.

"The cost to us [in time] doesn't come back to us in fees," he said.

In the clerk and administration department, Borough Administrator Bob Bruschi cautioned the Borough that all the departmental heads are due for retirement within the next three to five years, which would include himself and Carl Peters, head of Borough Engineering. This does not include those employees who may leave for reasons other than retirement, he added.

Having staff trained only in their specific area was one critical problem in the department that was recently rectified, noted Mr. Bruschi: "One of the things I noticed when I first got here was that if Lea [Quinty, the Borough Clerk] was on vacation, we didn't have pay roll," he said.

Areas that the department still needs to work on include crisis management, such as the recent Waste Management garbage strike, which distracted several employees from their regular administrative duties.

"It does grab a significant amount of people's time," said Mr. Bruschi.

Councilman Andrew Koontz suggested putting a bulletin on the local access cable network to notify residents during emergencies.

The Borough's next departmental conference meeting will be held on Thursday, February 24, when Council will meet with the police and engineering departments.

— Candace Braun

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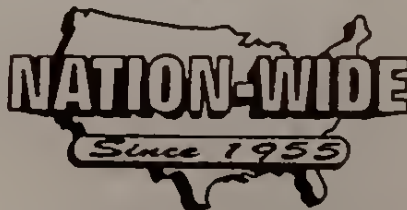
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PDS STAR SCHOLARS: As a result of their outstanding academic achievement, eight Princeton Day School seniors were named Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars for the 2004-2005 school year. The award-winning students are, from left: Robert Quigley, Victoriya Kovalchuk, Jay Thornton, Gyan Kapur, Hannah Heller, Rajiv Mallipudi, Anastasia Dubov, and Hannah Howard (not pictured). To be eligible, students must place in the top 10 percent of their class and have a minimum combined SAT score of 1260, or be ranked first, second, or third in their class at the end of their junior year. Bloustein scholars are offered an annual award without regard to financial need. For the 2004-2005 academic year, the annual award is \$1000.

University Bans Smoking In Undergraduate Dorms

Concerned about the effects of second-hand smoke and following peer institutions, Vice President for Campus Life Janet S. Dickerson announced last week that she had

accepted student recommendations to prohibit smoking in undergraduate dormitories. Ms. Dickerson also has asked the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students and Office of Housing to involve students in formulating regulations for implementing the

new policy, which becomes effective in the fall.

"This has been an issue under consideration for many years due to the concerns about both second-hand smoke and fire hazards," Dickerson said. "The work of the Undergraduate Life Com-

mittee (ULC) determined that a vast number of Princeton undergraduates strongly support smoke-free housing. The ULC also noted its respect for individual rights to smoke but found this right did not outweigh the rights of others to be free of second-hand smoke."

The ULC began focusing more intently on smoke-free housing at the start of the 2004-05 academic year upon reviewing policies related to substance-free dorms, Dickerson said. The process, co-chaired by senior Juan Lessing, included extensive student involvement through surveys and discussions. The ULC cited several factors for recommending the new policy including a study by the Harvard School of Public Health that found college students who live in smoke-free residence halls are 40 percent less likely to take up smoking than their counterparts who live in housing where smoking is permitted.

Other reason cited were risks caused by smoke traveling through air ducts to other dorms, the increased potential for fire hazards, and a 2004 health survey showing that less than 17 percent of undergraduates smoke and, of those, about 85 percent said they hope to stop smoking before they graduate. A Web survey with 275 respondents showed that 63 percent of undergraduates supported smoke-free housing.

Currently, smoking is prohibited in all common areas of Princeton's undergraduate dormitories and residential colleges. Smoking is permitted in private residential rooms, but rights of nonsmokers prevail over those of smokers. Smoking also is prohibited in classrooms and offices on campus.

Dickerson noted that while the strongest argument against smoke-free housing relates to individual rights, the American Civil Liberties Union — while supporting the individual's right to smoke — also has supported the right of institutions to protect individuals from second-hand smoke. She said the Undergraduate Student Government has asked for students to be involved in the formation of regulations and that she is confident students will help develop well-conceived recommendations for implementing the new policy.



Liz Yvon

Simply Scrumptious Recipes

BUTTERSCOTCH SAUCE

My 8 year old son Jason cannot have enough of this delicious, simple-to-make sauce. It can be served with ice cream either hot or cold, or be used as part of a more elaborate dish with bananas, toasted almonds... and best of all, it can be kept in the refrigerator for several weeks in an airtight container (although it will probably be gone in a couple of days!)

4 tblsp. butter
¾ cup light brown sugar
½ cup granulated sugar
Approx. a ⅓ of a 1lb jar of golden syrup
A scant ½ cup heavy cream
A few drops of vanilla essence

Begin by placing the first three ingredients in a thick-based medium sized saucepan, and adding the syrup (I find the easiest way is to pour directly from the jar and judge the amount by eye, but you can also place the saucepan on the scales, set them to zero, and pour until you reach 150g or 5 oz.)

Heat slowly, and once the ingredients have all melted or dissolved and are liquid, keep heating gently for another 5 minutes, stirring occasionally with a wooden spoon. If the heat is on low, it will not matter if you heat for a bit longer. Then turn off the heat, but leave the pan there.

Gradually stir in the heavy cream, followed by a few drops of vanilla essence, and then keep stirring until the sauce is perfectly smooth. At this point it is ready to serve hot. This sauce is so well-behaved that you can heat it in the microwave in a loosely covered container, and it will keep its consistency. Be careful, as always, with hot sauces containing a lot of sugar, as they can burn your mouth — warn your kids.

CHOCOLATE SAUCE

I have an abiding memory of a vacation spent in the Loire Valley one year. My father's idea of heaven was to tour châteaux by day, buy local produce for a picnic lunch ("no, not more St. Nectaire," we would cry), then dine lavishly in the restaurant of the charming Hôtel Hosten in Langeais. My own idea of heaven was to have "Poires Belle Hélène" which was poached pears with vanilla ice cream and chocolate sauce, or a "Dame Blanche": the same, without the pears. The waiter was kind enough by the third night to leave the sauce pot by my dish after serving me! I am so thrilled to be able to recreate this sophisticated-looking and tasting sauce. It is a doddle to make, so long as you don't skimp on the quality of the chocolate.

4 oz. baking bar of unsweetened chocolate, broken into small pieces
½ cup milk (if you have light or heavy cream left over, use it up in this sauce to make it extra-specially scrumptious!)
2 tblsp. butter
3 tblsp. sugar
Large tblsp. crème fraîche (or sour cream)

In a bain-marie, or glass bowl set over a pan of boiling water, melt the chocolate with the milk and butter. Stir occasionally and make sure that the water does not boil over. When this mixture is smooth, add the sugar and crème fraîche, and bring it slowly to the boil. Remove from the heat and serve immediately.

The sauce can be reheated in the microwave... but softly, softly.

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Subdivision Developer and Residents Find Acceptable Plan for Nassau Homes

A controversial plan to build four homes on 1.42 acres of land behind a property at 302 Nassau Street has been amended by the developer, Barsky Brothers Holdings Corp., after Barsky came to terms with nearby residents who had objected to the initial proposal.

The original application, which had been under consideration by the Princeton Regional Planning Board, had proposed the building of a subdivision behind an existing residence located directly across from Princeton Avenue in the Borough. The proposed development site abuts properties on Linden Lane and Queenston Place.

Some residents, who appeared before the planning board as a group called EEZW, worried that the ratio of house size to lot size was too large. Residents specifically objected to the size of the proposed four lots in the rear, which range from 8,794 square feet to 10,837 square feet. The homes themselves are all around 4,500 square feet, but tend to be significantly larger than the surrounding residences on Queenston and Linden.

At the initial planning board hearing on February 3, residents described the houses in the original development proposal as "boxy," and said that they suffered from "excessive density."

The hearing resumed last Thursday after being cut short from the late hour the previous week, but during the week between hearings residents and the Barskys arrived at a compromise.

The four new houses will be set back between 15 and 35 feet so to not impede on the adjacent property owners. Additionally, a detached garage of the existing home, which is currently a multi-apartment dwelling, will be shifted to save a poplar tree on the lot.

A proposed access drive, Barsky Court, that would be an extension of the current horseshoe driveway, will be 18 feet wide instead of the originally-proposed wider version. The Borough Historic Committee had requested that the road be reduced to 16 feet in width, but Borough Engineer Carl Peters and the Princeton Fire Department had recommended 18 feet for maintenance and access.

The Barskys have also agreed that the four proposed new homes will be single-family dwellings no more than two stories in height. The existing building that fronts the property will also be converted to a single-family home.

Planning board members suggested that Quarry Park, which lies directly behind the property, be made accessible from the proposed Barsky

Court via a six-foot easement. Board member Gail Oilman also suggested that residents of the new development and surrounding properties adopt the park for maintenance, calling its current state "deplorable."

Issues of lighting in the development, which lies in the Juggtown Historic District, were also addressed. In the agreement, lights lining the court will be lit from dawn to dusk, but the Borough's Mr. Peters suggested that the lighting levels be adjusted to satisfy the neighbors.

One factor that will delay any immediate development is the level of lead contaminating the property. A carriage painting factory used to occupy the site in the 19th century, according to Planning Board Chairperson Wanda Gunning. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is examining the property.

—Matthew Hersh

Nassau Weekly Editors To Apologize for Column

Rob Buerki and Jacob Savage, co-editor and features editor of the Nassau Weekly, an on-campus Princeton University publication, have offered a public apology for printing a column in the magazine's February 10 issue. The article, printed under the headline "And Now For Something Completely Offensive," changed popular movie titles to include references to the Holocaust. Movie titles like "Dude, Where's My Car," "A Weekend at Bernie's," and "Meet the Fockers," were changed to "Dude, Where's My Family," "A Week at Bergen-Belsen" and "Exterminate the Fockers," according to a report in the Daily Princetonian.

Messrs. Buerki and Savage, who are both juniors at the University, will not be disciplined because the article involves issues of free speech, according to a University statement. The Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies will work with students who object to the material.

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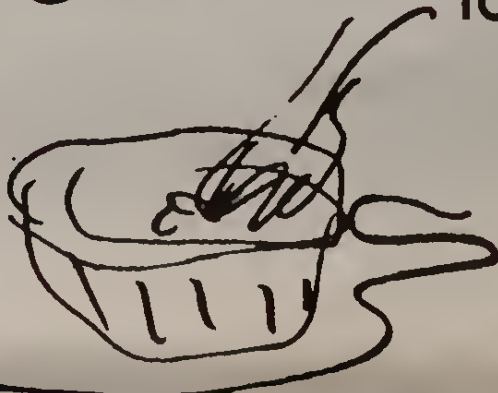
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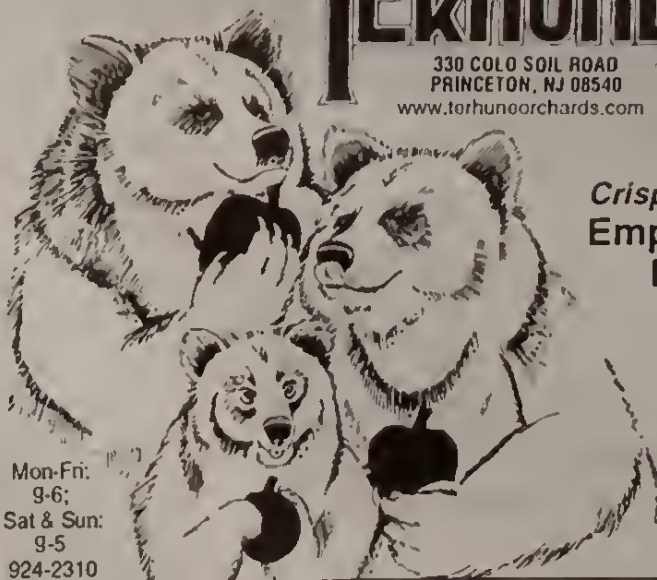
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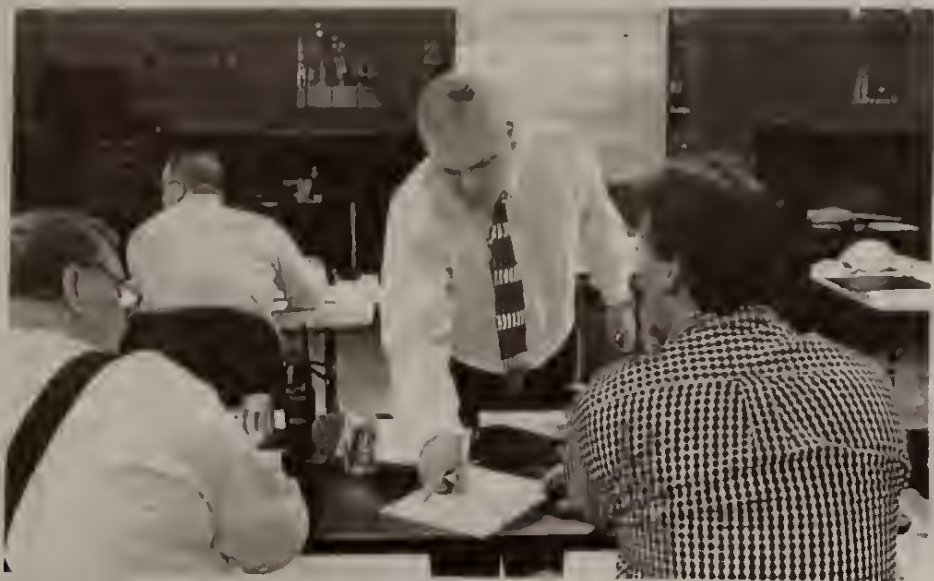
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PREPARING FOR THE WORST: To plan for the worst events, plane crashes, serious industrial accidents and terrorism, members of the Princeton Fire Department took an advanced level course in the Incident Command System (ICS). The instructor was Gary Howorth of the Somerset Fire Academy, shown here pointing something out to Capt. Rick McKee of Company 1 (on left), and William Drake, Borough fire official; in background: firefighter Bill Mooney of Company 3.

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On the evening of Thursday, February 17, Squirt 63, Engine 61 and Tower 62 responded to a Hodge Road residence for a heavy smoke condition. The source of the smoke was determined to be a malfunctioning furnace. Crews ventilated the residence and cleared it of smoke and carbon monoxide before allowing the residents return to their home.

On the morning of Saturday, February 19, Engine 61 and Squirt 63 responded to a Nassau Street business for a smoke condition. The source of the smoke was determined to be plastic wrap that was left too close to an oven.

The Princeton Fire Department is always looking for more members to join the department. If interested, call (609) 497-7645, or (609) 731-1314.

RESCUE REPORT

The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad responded to the following calls during the week of February 12 through February 18:

Shortly after 9 p.m. on Saturday, February 12, the squad was dispatched with the Princeton Fire Department to a house fire on State Road near Ewing Street, as reported in last week's Town Topics. First arriving units found a heavily involved garage fire that spread through much of the house before firefighters were able to bring it under control. In addition to two ambulances, the squad responded with their special services and technical rescue trucks, and provided scene lighting, filled the compressed breathing air bottles, and rehabilitated numerous firemen.

On Tuesday evening, February 15, the squad was requested in West Windsor for two pedestrians struck by a car. The squad responded to treat one of the patients, a 79-year-old female in trauma-induced cardiac arrest. The crew performed CPR and rushed the patient to the University Medical Center at Princeton where she was pronounced dead shortly thereafter.

On Thursday February 17, the squad responded to South Harrison Street near Western Way for a three-car accident. The first arriving ambulance found one car had struck two parked cars, and came to rest on top of one of them. The driver was able to self-extricate, and was taken to the hospital with minor injuries.

On Friday, February 18, the squad responded for an 80-year-old female with a pulse rate of 22 beats per minute. The normal range for adults is 60-80 beats per minute, and individuals with pulse rates as low as 22 are typically unconscious and cardiac failure is imminent. However, in this case, the patient was awake and oriented, complaining only of a stomach ache. The patient was transported to the hospital so that doctors could evaluate her condition.

On Friday evening, the crew had back-to-back calls at Baker Rink at Princeton University. On each call, they were presented with a 52-year-old patient suffering from minor lacerations to the right side of the forehead. In one case, a man was hit in the head with a hockey puck, while the other patient had tripped and fell down a flight of stairs. Both patients were transported to the hospital.

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Police Blotter

Responding to reports of gunshots fired in the area of Redding Circle at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Township Police discovered a parked car on the street punctured by two bullet holes. No injury was reported. The vehicle, a 1995 Hyundai, was parked away from the nearby homes and unoccupied.

Police speculated that the shots had been fired by a handgun of undetermined caliber.

The car was impounded for further investigation by Township Police Officers Matthew Solovay, Ernest Silagyi, and Arthur Villaruz.

Three thefts on the Princeton University campus were reported by Borough Police.

Shortly before 9 a.m. on February 15, a video projector was reported stolen from an office in the Frist Campus Center. Police surmised that it had been stolen sometime

during the late afternoon or evening of the previous day.

Two thefts reported on Friday were presumed to have occurred earlier in the week. A 19-year-old undergraduate reported the theft of a wallet and cell phone that she had left unattended in a room in Gauss Hall five days earlier. A 20-year-old male student reported the theft of a wallet containing cash and credit cards which he had also left unattended, in his case in the Dillon Gymnasium lobby, on February 12.

There are no suspects in any of the thefts.

A motor vehicle stop on February 14 on Stockton Street led to the arrest of all four occupants of the vehicle when police discovered that they had been smoking marijuana before being pulled over. A small quantity of the marijuana was found in the car after the stop. Arrested and charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance, and with being under its influence, were Anthony D. Jennette, 19, and Jarvis A. Fredericks, 20, both of Trenton, and their two unidentified passengers, both minors. The adults were released with complaint summonses to appear in Borough Municipal Court on February 28; the juveniles were turned over to a guardian.

On February 20, a driver stopped for speeding on Elm Road was subsequently found to be wanted on warrants from Ewing Municipal Court. Christine M. Goodwin, 51, of Ewing, was booked at Borough Police Headquarters on charges of speeding and driving with a suspended license, then released after posting bail of \$858.

Four men were arrested on charges of driving in the Borough while intoxicated: Richard C. Suchenski, 46, of Schaumburg, Ill., on February 9; Abbas Saad Bayoumi, 32, of North Brunswick, on February 12; John Szwed, 38, of East Windsor, on February 13; and Robert D. Ravnaas, 47, of Fort Worth, Tex., on February 13. All four were charged with DWI and other motor vehicle offenses, and released on their own recognizance with summonses to appear in Borough Municipal Court on February 21.

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CANDIDATES' NIGHT: U.S. Senator and gubernatorial candidate Jon Corzine arrived Sunday night at the Suzanne Patterson Center and spoke with several county and municipal officials, including Vicky Bergman, shown with him here, who just completed a five-year term on the Princeton Regional Planning Board. Ms. Bergman announced two weeks ago that she would seek to fill the Township Committee seat being vacated at the end of the year by Bill Enslin, who has chosen not to run for a third term.

(Photo by E.J. Greenblatt)

property tax for funding municipal and school services in the country. The legislature has the opportunity to put a question on the November ballot that would allow the state to move forward with a constitutional convention.

Mr. Gusclora lauded the efforts put forth in taking legislative action against certain historic properties requesting tax exemption. He and Assemblywoman Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-Mercer) who is also up for re-election, introduced legislation saying that historical landmarks seeking property tax exemption would need to open their doors to the public no less than 90 days a year. The bill stemmed from a tax-exemption effort by the eating club, the Cottage Club, which currently pays Princeton Borough \$59,000 per year in property taxes. The assemblyman also said he would look to address gang violence in his next term by creating more opportunities for youths who are susceptible to becoming involved in gang activity. Ms. Watson Coleman said one of her aims if elected to a fifth term would be toward affordable housing. "We're trying to fight our way to ensure that the most vulnerable are taken care of." She also worried about New Jersey's "tremendous vulnerability" in terms of homeland security: "New Jersey has to figure out how additional security can be found."

In addition to Mr. Corzine, Mr. Gusclora, and Ms. Watson Coleman, the PCDO endorsed Kevin Larkin for Mercer County Sheriff, Lucy Walter and Tony Mack for Mercer County Freeholder, and Gil Lugossy, Andrew Koontz, Manuel Segura, Marge Caldwell Wilson, and Linda Reith for the Democratic State Committee.

—Matthew Hersh

PCDO Candidates

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for eight-and-a-half million New Jerseyans," he said. "I care deeply about this opportunity, but if we don't do the work, we won't get the results." In addressing the state's current financial crisis, Mr. Corzine underlined the need to create the post of an elected state comptroller to audit government accounts and to certify expenditures.

"I wouldn't run Goldman Sachs without an independent audit, I can assure you," he said, referring to his position as co-chairman and chief executive officer of the investment company Goldman Sachs prior to being elected to the Senate in November 2000. Having a comptroller, Mr. Corzine said, would lessen the power currently held by the state executive office.

"I don't understand how we can have all the power wrapped up in one office — [former Chicago Mayor Richard] Daley may have liked it, but I don't," he said.

If elected governor, Mr. Corzine would relinquish his post as Senator after completing only four years of his six-year term. Of his unfinished business in the Senate, he said he would want to address the Bush administration's aim to overhaul Social Security retirement by diverting some payroll taxes into private investment accounts. Mr. Bush has said that this will lift financial burdens as more members of the Baby Boom generation begin to retire.

While not refuting the notion that funds for Social Security will eventually dry up, Mr. Corzine did not agree with Mr. Bush's handling of that potential crisis.

"There is a problem," he said, acknowledging that full guaranteed benefits would not be available in 75 years while adding that "It's flat-out wrong for the President to

say [Social Security] is bankrupt, and it's flat-out wrong to say that there's a crisis. The one thing I want to do before I get out of [Senate] office, is to make sure that we don't tear apart Social Security. This is a contract, an insurance policy for all of us for everything that goes on in life, and it's not just for retirees, it's for the disabled, surviving spouses and children, and people who lose loved ones." In the face of rising insurance rates, Mr. Corzine said he believes the government could be "doing a better job" in negotiating with the insurance companies.

As many members of both factions of the state legislature look to see how property taxes can somehow be capped, Mr. Corzine called reliance on that revenue as "regressive," suggesting that the tax could be revised "somehow, someday." But he did say that if there were to be ceilings placed on property taxes, revenue would have to be found in other places.

"I don't want people to think this is a free lunch; it's not like we can do that and say we're not going to have a quality health care system, or a quality education system." While Mr. Corzine said he was "not prepared" to say where the additional revenue would come from, he said it could start with more "controlled spending."

Reed Gusclora, who is running for his sixth term in the state's 15th Assembly District, said that "too many seniors and too many young people are frozen out of property ownership" due to rising levels in property taxes.

The state legislature is now considering holding a constitutional convention to look at the way the state acquires its money. Currently, New Jersey and Connecticut have the highest dependency on

property preparedness; William Penn Center Preschool and Kindergarten (\$936), for flooring and labor costs in the community center; and Life Ties in Trenton (\$300), for a program to teach TRIAD house residents about personal health, hygiene, sexual health, etc.

The Junior League is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. JLGP focuses its efforts on the needs of women and children in Mercer and Bucks counties as well as the surrounding areas.

To obtain an application for the JLGP's 2005-2006 Community Grants Program, visit the JLGP website at www.jlgp.org to download an application under the Documents tab. All applications must be received by February 17, 2005. Grant recipients will be notified in early April.

Record Applicant Levels For University Class of '09

Princeton University has received 16,077 applications for admission to the class of 2009, a record number for the University and a 17 percent increase from the previous year.

The increase reflects Princeton's enhanced recruitment efforts across the country and internationally, as well as the introduction of new Web-based application forms this year, said Dean of Admission Janet Lavin Rapelye.

"Our goal has been to educate a wider range of prospective students about the wonderful academic opportunities available at Princeton and to increase the number of ways students can apply to the University. The results have far exceeded my expectations," Rapelye said.

"Our admission staff has made a major effort to expand the recruitment of prospective students through high school visits, on-campus admission information sessions and evening programs with students and their families in cities throughout the United States and around the world," she said.

In addition to the paper version of the Princeton application, the Office of Admission this year offered three new options for applying to the University: both online and paper versions of the Common Application, a standardized form used by colleges and universities; and the online Princeton form.

The total number of applications this year includes 2,039 applications for early decision. The University announced earlier this month that 593 students have been offered early admission to the class of 2009. The early decision candidates are expected to comprise 49 percent of the next freshman class.

Regular decision applicants, who had to apply by Jan. 2, will be notified of admission in early April. Candidates deferred during the early admission process will be reconsidered with the regular decision applicants.

The total number of applications this year compares to 13,695 applications for the class of 2008.

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Chickpea Escarole Soup

This hearty dish is a perfect late-winter meal—flavorful, easy to prepare, and packed with nutrition. It is made in the improvisational "stille rustico" of the northern Italian hill country; so play around with the recipe and substitute your favorite bean or green. Serve with your favorite whole grain bread, an Italian ciabatta, or Tuscano pane

Serves 4 to 6

1 medium yellow onion, roughly chopped
3 garlic cloves, peeled and finely chopped
1 to 2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil

1 bay leaf
1 tsp dried thyme
Sea salt

1 medium butternut squash, peeled and cut into ½ inch cubes (about 3 to 4 cups)
1 15 oz can diced tomatoes
1 15 oz can garbanzo beans (chickpeas), including liquid
4 to 6 cups vegetable broth
1 medium-sized head escarole, washed and coarsely chopped (about 3 to 4 cups)
Coarse ground black pepper
Freshly grated Parmesan cheese
Chopped parsley (optional), garnish

In a soup pot, sauté onion and garlic in olive oil. Add bay leaf, thyme, and pinch of salt. When onions have softened a bit, add butternut squash, stir well and sauté another minute or two. Add tomatoes, garbanzo beans, and broth. Bring to a boil, lower heat, and simmer until squash is nearly tender. Add escarole and simmer for 10 to 15 minutes to marry the flavors. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Garnish with Parmesan cheese and parsley and serve.

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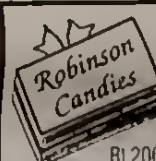


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THE EVERGREENERS: Members of the Evergreen Forum Steering Committee: Seated (from left), Edith Jeffrey, Barbara Herzberg, Harry Pinch. Standing, Carolyn Wilson, Jerry Salvatore, Don Luecke, John Haldenstein, David Southgate, Judith Pinch, and Rebecca Rome. Not shown: Jeanne Gorrissen and Marietta Taylor.

Evergreen Forum Announces Courses for Spring 2005

The Evergreen Forum, a daytime study and discussion program for adults of all ages, will be offering a wide variety of courses this spring.

Classes meet once a week for approximately two hours beginning the week of February 28. Fees are \$50 per course (\$35 for additional courses during the same semester); courses run for six to eight weeks. Scholarships are available.

Among the experienced community members leading the courses are Gillet Griffin, former faculty curator of Ancient American Art at the Princeton University Art Museum, and Mark Miller, program

notes annotator and lecturer for the Princeton Symphony Orchestra and Princeton Pro Musica, and host and producer of the "Music Room" on WWFM. Mr. Griffin's course is "Ancient Art in the Americas and the Old World," Mr. Miller's course will be "Composers at Work in Their Later Years."

Other courses for spring 2005 include "Shakespeare Off the Page," "Ulysses: a Continuation," "Science Tuesday on Thursday," "The Politics of Oil," "Doing Local History," "Alexander Solzhenitsyn's Novels: *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich* and *The First Circle*," "Nathaniel Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter* and *Gustave Flaubert's Madame Bovary*," and a mini

course, "Art Crawl."

The Forum is sponsored by the Princeton Senior Resource Center, and most courses meet in the Suzanne Patterson Building behind Princeton Borough Hall. For a brochure giving further information on the courses, course leaders, and days and times the courses meet, call the PSRC at (609) 924-7108. Full course descriptions are given on the internet at www.evergreenforum.org.

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Storm Water Regs.

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said, every municipality must obtain a permit by April 1 to discharge storm water from their storm systems, the same way waste water treatment facilities are required to have such certification. The permits are issued through a formalized permit program, New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES). Up to now, individual NJPDES permits had been granted to independent facilities, but municipalities will soon be required to be card-carrying members.

"It's now the municipalities' turn to start cleaning up their acts," Mr. Skupien said.

After the DEP regulation requirement is put into place, the second process, the storm water management rule, would require towns to create an ordinance that would enforce builders and the municipality to abide by the new requirements. Municipalities will be able to fine violators of the regulations. While there is some leeway for towns to enact various laws for compliance, DEP can issue fines to towns if codes are not created to reflect the state requirements. As far as the planning board is concerned, when examining various applications, these mandates would regulate the run-off from what are termed as "major land development and redevelopment projects." A "major" project, Mr. Skupien said, is "any type of project that disturbs at least an acre of land." An ordinance would have to be adopted to regulate the run-off in projects of such a nature, he added. The planning board would have to factor in this information on most of the applications it considers.

Interestingly, there is a public complex component to the regulations, essentially taking the burden away from institutions like Princeton University and putting the onus on the municipality to ensure that any construction on campus is compliant with the regulations.

Additionally, there is one planning zone on campus that does not fall under the developmental jurisdiction of the planning board. This exemption applies to buildings with a particular setback. However, Lee Solow, planning director for the planning board, said he does not envision a scenario where the University would not comply with the mandates on this part of campus.

Planning Board member Marvin Reed said the board will also have to anticipate the state's regulations when examining potential occupants for the 11.76 acres on the main Witherspoon Street campus of the University Medical Center of Princeton, whose trustees hope to relocate the facility to a comprehensive campus within two to six miles of its current site.

—Matthew Hersh

Local Jewish Students Can Apply for Grants

The Jewish Community Foundation of Princeton Mercer Bucks will once again be awarding college aid to local Jewish students due to graduate high school in June 2005.

Active since 1964, the Foundation has been making college scholarship awards for more than a quarter-century. Its scholarship funds were established in memory of Joseph Fishberg, Benjamin Garb, Albert Kahn, Louis Kobrin, and Esther Wolin.

Foundation scholarships are structured as "book awards" to cover the expenses of books, computers, and other instructional materials. Each award is a maximum of \$4,000 for four years of college (\$1,000 annually). Awards are based on financial need as documented by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

The scholarship program is administered together with the Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS) of Greater Mercer County, at 707 Alexander Road, Suite 102, Princeton. For more information and to receive application forms, contact Edna Silberman at the JFCS, at (609) 987-8100 or ednas@jfcsonline.org.

The deadline for applications is May 1, 2005.

The Hospice Program is seeking compassionate people to visit hospice patients who have chosen to die at home and are being cared for by their families and the Hospice Program team.

"I discovered that there are saints, and some of them are masquerading as hospice volunteers," a former patient's husband, Bob Levine, said when describing his experience with the Hospice Program and volunteers. "I had never met such a group of dedicated, giving, imaginative people whom, to my surprise, were fun to be with."

The training sessions will be held in the Lower Conference Room at Princeton Hospice, 208 Bunn Drive, in Princeton. The Hospice Program serves patients in Mercer and parts of Middlesex, Somerset, and Hunterdon counties. Volunteers can choose the geographic areas they wish to visit patients in. Pre-registration, application, and interview are required.

For more information, contact Helaine Issacs at (609) 497-4959.

Hospice Program Offering Volunteer Training Course

The Princeton HealthCare System Hospice Program is offering an eight-week volunteer training course in Princeton, scheduled to begin on Thursday March 10, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Subsequent training sessions will be held at the same time on March 17; April 7, 14, 21, and 28; and May 5 and 12.

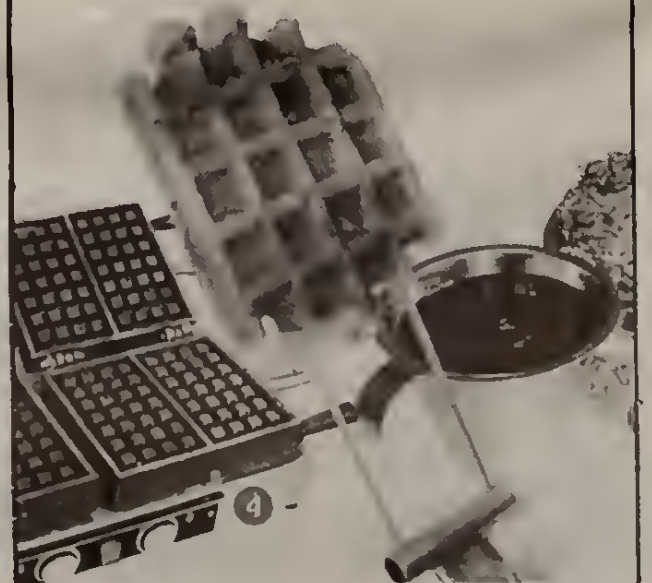
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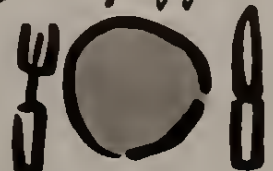
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Arts Council, Library Accepting Entries For Film Festival

Area student filmmakers are invited to submit their original films to the second annual Teen Summer Student Film & Video Festival, cosponsored by the Arts Council of Princeton and the Princeton Public Library. The festival will take place on July 28 at the Library.

From March 1 through June 30, the Library will be accepting submissions of half-inch VHS or DVDs not more than 20 minutes in length from students in grades nine through 12 for possible inclusion in the festival, which is open to both residents and non-residents of Princeton and will include works of fiction and documentaries. Each submission must be accompanied by an entry form and will then be reviewed by the Princeton Teen Film Committee, a group composed of Arts Council staff, two librarians from Princeton Public Library, a volunteer committee of high school students, and a local film scholar.

Guidelines and an entry form for the festival may be downloaded at www.princetonlibrary.org/teens or picked up at the Arts Council or the library.

Since 2002, the Princeton Teen Film Committee has been organizing film series and post-screening discussions for teens. The first Student Film & Video Festival, which was suggested by the students on the committee, was the final program in last summer's teen film series, "First Takes," which focused on feature-length first films of accomplished or promising directors.

The festival featured 10 original short films, and many of the student filmmakers were present to introduce and talk about their films. Not only were the student filmmakers delighted by this opportunity to screen their films, but the general audience also enjoyed the variety and breadth of the filmmaking. "We were astonished by the range in the storytelling, from solemn and serious to hilariously funny," said Janet Stern, the Arts Council's program director.

"There are so many students working on film and video projects either on their own or in media production courses," added Susan Conlon, teen services librarian at the Princeton Public Library. "It's gratifying to be able to provide an incentive for them to fine-tune and finish their projects and then a space for them to share their work with their peers and an audience."

The current teen film series, "Far-Out Films," continues on March 11 with an appearance by Professor Al Nigrin, curator of the Rutgers Film Co-op and Program in Cinema Studies, who will be screening and discussing *Street of Crocodiles*

and other "far-out" short films. Students in grades eight and above, as well as adults, are invited to attend this free program. The committee will start meeting again in March to plan the upcoming summer teen film series and the Student Film & Video Festival. Students in ninth grade and above are welcome to join the committee.

For more information about "Far-Out Films," the Princeton Teen Film Committee, or the Student Film & Video Festival, please contact Susan Conlon at Princeton Public Library, (609) 924-9529, ext. 247, or Janet Stern at the Arts Council of Princeton, (609) 924-8777.

Central Africa Expert To Discuss Child Soldiers

Central Africa specialist Sarah S. Milburn will speak on "Child Soldiers" at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 24, in Room 307 at Princeton University's Frist Student Center. The talk will be accompanied by two short films: one from Amnesty International, the other, *Soldier Child*, about a girl who was formerly a soldier in Uganda.

Sarah Milburn was a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer in the Central African Republic in the 1970s. She has been a human rights activist for many years, serving as a member of the Amnesty International Country Specialist program since 1989. She was the coordinator of Amnesty's Central Africa Regional Action network from 1989 to 1992, and chairman of the Central Africa Coordination Group from 1993 to 2000. She also initiated Amnesty International's work with the U.S. Campaign to Stop the Use of Child Soldiers.

The co-author of *Presence, Prevention, and Persuasion: A Historical Analysis of Military Force and Political Influence* (2004), she currently works as a grants administrator at Princeton University.

Twelve Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton HealthCare System has reported 12 births to area residents during the week ending February 21.

Twin boys were born to Hilda and Scott Klasky, Princeton Junction, on February 17.

Sons were also born to Vikki and David Lovvoll, Lawrenceville, February 15; Margaret and Craig Arnold, Princeton, February 16; Jyctika Kumud and Sandeep Srivastava, Princeton, February 18; Lindsay and Peter Eubanks, Princeton, February 18; Marie Lukens and Mark Hansen, Princeton, February 19; Minian and Edward Banfe, Princeton, February 19; and Manisha and Anurag Chaturvedi, Princeton, February 20.

Daughters were born to Julia and George DeSanctis, Skillman, February 15; Neelam and Devin Davis, Skillman, February 15; and Leah Moody and Jermaine Bright, West Windsor, February 20.

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MAILBOX

Councilman Suggests E-Quad Expansion Warrants Larger University Contribution

To the Editor:

In their recent letter concerning Princeton University's proposal to amend Princeton Borough's E-3 zoning restrictions in the Murray Place neighborhood (Town Topics, February 16), Andrea and Rick Stine raise important questions.

As the University's proposal would increase its right to develop the Engineering Quad by 100,000 square feet of floor area, and is part of a larger University proposal to develop 205,000 square feet of floor area in the E-Quad, the proposal is also of community-wide interest.

The community should take up consideration of the University's proposal on separate tracks:

1. As with any development, the University's proposed zoning changes should be considered on their merits, no matter what their nature.

2. In the particular case of such a large, tax-exempt developer that affects the whole community, the Borough governing body should not formally take up consideration of zoning changes proposed by Princeton University unless and until the University substantially boosts its annual financial contribution to the Borough to offset the impact on the town of the University's present and future development.

It's a two-pronged process: the University pays for consideration of its proposed changes; then the design components and neighborhood impacts of the University's proposal may be considered on their merits.

By bifurcating the process we protect two distinct and possibly conflicting interests: (a) the interest of the town as a whole, including Murray Place, which desperately needs additional financial support from the University; and (b) the interest of the affected neighborhood, which rightly deserves special consideration because any E-3 zoning change affects that neighborhood particularly.

If the Borough does not maintain a two-pronged process — looking only at the impact of the University's proposal on the town as a whole, or only at the impact of the University's proposal on the neighborhood — we'll lose the opportunity to advance one or another of these sometimes conflicting interests.

By articulating a two-pronged process, we maximize the opportunity to advance both interests.

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James Howard Kunstler
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James Howard Kunstler will speak on the topic, "The Energy Crisis and the Built Environment," on Friday, March 4, at 4:30 p.m., at McCosh 10 on the Princeton University campus. A book signing will follow.

Mr. Kunstler has written extensively on the effect of the "built environment" on the quality of life in America's suburbs, cities, and towns. He is the author of *Geography of Nowhere*, *Home from Nowhere*, *The City in Mind: Notes on the Urban Condition*, and *The Long Emergency: Surviving the End of the Oil Age, Climate Change, and Other Converging Catastrophes of the 21st Century* (May 2005).

He is a former staff writer for *Rolling Stone Magazine*, and a regular contributor to the *New York Times Sunday Magazine* and *Op-Ed* pages, where he has written on environmental and economic issues.

Mr. Kunstler's most recent books were concerned with the physical arrangement of life in America, in particular suburban sprawl, which he refers to as "the most destructive development pattern the world has ever known." According to the author — the world, and the United States in particular, now faces an epochal predicament: the global oil production peak and the arc of depletion that follows.

Mr. Kunstler is a popular lecturer on college campuses, and has appeared before numerous professional organizations, including the American Institute of Architects, the American Psychological Association, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Along with his four works of nonfiction, he is the author of eight novels. Mr. Kunstler lives with his wife in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Einstein's Universe **Is Discussed by Author**

J. Richard Gott, author of *Time Travel in Einstein's Universe*, will appear at the Princeton U-Store on Monday, February 28, at 7 p.m.

Mr. Gott's appearance is part of a year-long series of author events celebrating Einstein's 1905 papers and the World Year of Physics.

In *Time Travel in Einstein's Universe* (Mariner Books), the renowned astrophysicist J. Richard Gott leads time travel out of the fictional world of H.G. Wells and into the realm of scientific possibility.

Although scientists such as Stephen Hawking and Kip Thorne have previously considered the topic, the delightfully refreshing — but scrupulously careful — Mr. Gott goes light-years beyond them in his exploration of this exciting idea.

A Princeton resident and professor of astrophysics at Princeton University, he has received the President's Award for Distinguished Teaching. He has written for *Time*, *Scientific American*, *New Scientist*, and *American Scientist*, among other publications.

Mr. Gott will be at the Princeton University Store, located at 36 University Place, just off Nassau Street in Princeton. The talk will take place in the third-floor events area. There is free parking directly across the street. For more information, call (609) 921-8500, ext. 238, or visit the U-Store website at www.pustore.com

Fried, Scott to Speak **At U.S. Poets Invite**

Daisy Fried and Nancy Scott will be the featured poets at February's U.S. 1 Poets Invite reading at the Princeton Public Library on Monday, February 28, at 7:30 p.m. Each will read for 20 minutes, followed by an open mic session.

A former freelance journalist, Ms. Fried brings a social conscience and a strong narrative voice to her poetry. In 1998, she was awarded a Pew Fellowship in poetry. She is currently a Hodder Fellow at Princeton University, and also teaches creative writing at Haverford College.

Her first book of poems, *She Didn't Mean to Do it*, won the Agnes Lynch Starrett Prize. She has been published in many journals, including *American Poetry Review*, *Antioch Review*, *Colorado Review*, and *Threepenny Review*.

Ms. Scott began writing poetry six years ago. She recently retired from a long career with the N.J. Department of Community Affairs, where she worked with homeless families. Her work has appeared in *Witness*, *Rattapallax*, *Slipstream*, *Journal of*

New Jersey Poets, *Slant* and other literary journals. Ms. Scott is currently the managing editor of U.S. 1 Worksheets.

The readings are part of the monthly U.S. 1 Poets Invite at the library. The series is co-sponsored by the library, the U.S. 1 Poets' Cooperative and the Arts Council of Princeton.

For more information on library programs and services, call (609) 924-9529, or visit www.princetonlibrary.org

University Professor **Is Honored With Award**

A book by Theodore Ziolkowski, the Class of 1990 Professor Emeritus of Modern Languages at Princeton University, has won an award from the International Conference on Romanticism.

The book, *Clio the Romantic Muse* (Cornell University Press, 2004), has received the Jean-Pierre Barricelli Prize as "the best book in Romanticism studies for 2004."

Prof. Ziolkowski is an authority on German and European literature from Romanticism to the present. A former president of the Modern Language Association, he served as dean of the Graduate School for 13 years. He joined Princeton's German department in 1964 and transferred to emeritus status in 2001.

'United States of Europe' **Author To Speak at U-Store**

T. R. Reid, author of *The United States of Europe*, will appear at the Princeton U-Store on Saturday, February 26, at 2 p.m.

The United States of Europe (The Penguin Press) is a comprehensive, beguiling account of how an experiment in statecraft, in just over a half century, developed into an economic, political and cultural powerhouse poised to rival the United States. A vastly illuminating study of the towering behemoth quietly growing across the Atlantic Ocean, the book is an eye-opening and surprisingly entertaining investigation of

how and why the EU is changing the world.

A member of the Princeton Class of '66 and a former trustee of the University, Mr. Reid has covered the U. S. Congress, national politics, and four presidential campaigns for the Washington Post. He was the Post's Tokyo bureau chief from 1990 to 1995, and then became head of the paper's London bureau, where he chronicled the stunning rise of the European Union at the dawn of the 21st century.

Mr. Reid is now the Post's Rocky Mountain bureau chief and a popular commentator

on National Public Radio. He is the author of three books in Japanese and five in English, including *The Chip: How Two Americans Invented the Microchip and Launched a Revolution*.

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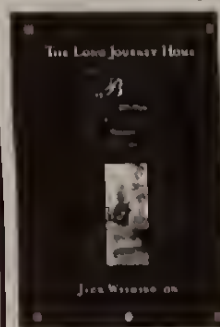
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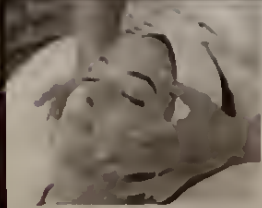




THE EYES HAVE IT: The character with the big eyes seems to be playing the dummy to Brian Patton of Robodyssey Systems, a ventriloquist at one of last Saturday's two robotics workshops for children at the Princeton Public Library. Mr. Patton explained the basics of robotics and showed how robots could be designed to perform a variety of tasks.

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The **Friends of Princeton Open Space and Princeton University Water Watch** will co-sponsor a D&R Canal cleanup on Saturday, April 9 from 9:30 a.m. to early afternoon. Participants will meet, rain or shine, at Turning Basin Park, Alexander Road at the canal near Princeton.

The cleanup will focus on the canal from Port Mercer (Province Line Road) to Harrison Street. Sponsors will provide garbage bags, disposable gloves, some grasping tools, and some canoes and kayaks.

For more information, call Pat Palmer at (609) 279-6992 or Raleigh Martin at (609) 986-7724.

The **Princeton Senior Citizen's Club** will meet at the Suzanne Patterson Center on Friday, February 25 at 1 p.m. Consuelo Campbell will present a program titled "The Firts: The Firts Shall Not Be Last" to honor Black History Month. Visitors are welcome.

The club will also host a bus ride to Trump Marina, Atlantic City, on March 9. The cost will be \$20 per person. For reservations or information, call Henry Tilghman at (609) 921-6082.

Members of the **Princeton Newcomers Club** will model fashions from the clothing boutique Dandeline on Friday, March 11 at 11:45 a.m. at the Nassau Club, 6 Mercer Street. Formerly located in Cranbury, Dandeline recently

moved to 195 Nassau Street.

Cost for the luncheon and show is \$25. For reservations and membership information, call Nancy Depke at (609) 419-0191.

Part of the YWCA Princeton, the Newcomers Club was founded to give those new to the area a way to make friends and get acquainted with their new surroundings. The club offers a speaker and lunch on the second Friday of each month and a social coffee on the third Thursday morning. The interest groups include Princeton History, Crafters, Creative Writing, Bridge, Genealogy, Book Talk, and Broadway Bound.

"Does Constitutional Liberalism Have a Future?" will be the topic of a presentation by Kenneth I. Kersch, Ph.D., to 55PLUS at their March 3 meeting at 10 a.m. at the Jewish Center of Princeton.

An assistant professor of politics at Princeton University, Dr. Kersch specializes in American political and constitutional development, American political thought, legal theory, and the politics of courts. He is the recipient of the Edward S. Corwin Prize from the American Political Science Association, and is the author of three books on freedom of speech, civil liberties, and American constitutional law.

55PLUS was organized in 1986 as a non-sectarian group to promote social contacts and friendships among men who are either retired or who have flexible working hours. It meets at 10 a.m. on the first and third Thursday mornings of each month except June, July, and August



SWIMMING FOR TSUNAMI: Lawrenceville School students raised nearly \$10,000 in two weeks for the American Red Cross Tsunami Relief Fund. Half the total was raised by the boys' and girls' swim squads, which swam a total of 168,000 yards (more than 95 miles) in a one-hour swim-a-thon. Pictured on either side of American Red Cross volunteer Debbie Nosko are sophomore swimmer Lynne Mullervy and senior Mike Lord.

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This week's article will address methods by which you can play against an opponent's strong pawn center. There are many openings that lead to a strong pawn center for one side (usually the white pieces), but there is little discussion of how to play against one.

There are two solutions to this dilemma. First, you could play around the center. Second, you could attempt to destroy the center.

Sometimes a strong pawn center may mean weak wings. If this is the case in your game, you may find that destroying the pawn center would be a waste of time and resources. Instead, you could simply play on the wings and attack the opponent from behind the center.

If you must rid the board of your opponent's central grasp, I recommend the use of a pawn as a battering ram. When used properly, just one pawn with proper piece support can swing the initiative to your side.

Please keep these two strategies in mind when you find your position cramped by an opponent's pawn center. Good luck!

—Chad Lieberman

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4:30 p.m.: Reading, by short story writer Jhumpa Lahiri; James Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

7:30 p.m.: Township Zoning Board of Adjustment; Township Municipal Complex.

8 p.m.: On The Town; McAneny Theater, Princeton Day School. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Friday at 3:30 p.m., Saturday at 3 p.m.

8 p.m.: Lend Me a Tenor; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m.; Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

Thursday, February 24

4:30 p.m.: Lecture, "Landscape Painting in the Age of Imperialism," by Stephen F. Eisenman, Northwestern University; McCormick 101, Princeton University.

6:30 p.m.: Princeton Youth Council; Princeton Family YMCA.

7:30 p.m.: Lecture, "Chelation Therapy: The Secret for a Healthier Life"; CareOne, 599 Cranbury Road, East Brunswick.

8 p.m.: New Jersey Symphony Orchestra; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: John Valby; Stress Factory Comedy Club, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Passage Theatre's Rosemary and I; Mill Hill Playhouse, Trenton. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 5 p.m.

10 p.m.: Jenn Stang rock band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Friday, February 25

8 p.m.: Shen Wei Dance Arts; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: New Jersey Symphony Orchestra; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Organ Concert; Princeton University Chapel.

8 p.m.: Little by Little; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Harold Pinter's The Homecoming; Yvonne Theater, Rider University, Lawrenceville. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Torme Sings Torme, with Steve March Torme; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Westminster Choir Midwinter Concert; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: Theatre Intime's A Chorus Line; Hamilton Murray Theatre, Murray-Dodge Hall. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Concert, Music of the South Caucasus; Wolfensohn Hall, Institute for Advanced Study. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.: Joey Kola; Stress Factory Comedy Club, New Brunswick. Also Saturday at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

8:15 p.m.: Dance Improv; Arts Council of Princeton.

10:30 p.m.: Rick Fink rock band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Saturday, February 26

11 a.m.: Folk singer Dan Zanes; McCarter Theatre.

Noon: Daughters of the American Revolution luncheon meeting; Nassau Club. For information, call (609) 924-0872.

2 and 4 p.m.: Lyle, Lyle Crocodile; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College.

3 p.m. and 7 p.m.: Bill Cosby; State Theatre, New Brunswick. Sold Out.

4 to 6:30 p.m.: Black History Month Commemoration; Arts Council of Princeton.

7:30 p.m.: Benefit for Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Mercer County, with The Greaseband; Ballroom, War Memorial, Trenton. For tickets call (609) 987-8100.

8 p.m.: Eroica Trio; Mount-Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown.

8 p.m.: Renaissance High School (Detroit) Varsity Chorus; Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.

8 p.m.: Le Triomphe de L'Amour chamber ensemble; Unitarian Church.

8:30 p.m.: Soul Cycle jazz band; Small World Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Street.

10:30 p.m.: The Spinz pop/rock band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Sunday, February 27

11 a.m.: Black History Month celebration; First Baptist Church.

11 a.m.: Jazz at the Chapel Service; Princeton University Chapel.

3 p.m.: Richardson Baroque Players; Richardson Auditorium.

Monday, February 28

7 p.m.: Township Committee; Township Municipal Complex.

Tuesday, March 1

4:30 p.m.: Screening of Ralph Bunche: An American Odyssey, with filmmaker William Greaves; James Stewart Theater.

7:30 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: Singapore Symphony Orchestra, with Yo-Yo Ma; State Theatre, New Brunswick. Sold out.

8 p.m.: Lend Me a Tenor; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Wednesday through Friday at 8 p.m.; Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

8 p.m.: Venice Baroque Orchestra; McCarter Theatre.

Wednesday, March 2

12:30 to 1 p.m.: Free "After Noon" Concert; Princeton University Chapel.

4:30 p.m.: Screening of Synbiopsychotaxiplasm, Take 2 with filmmaker William Greaves; James Stewart Theater.

7 p.m.: Adult Film Series, Beyond the Macho Myth; Princeton Public Library.

7:30 p.m.: Peddie School Winter Concert; Mount-Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown.

8 p.m.: Aspen Santa Fe Ballet; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: Rent; State Theatre, New Brunswick. Also Thursday at 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 3

Noon to 6 p.m.: Blood Drive; Princeton Day School Gymateria. For information or appointment, call (609) 924-6700, ext. 232.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board; Township Municipal Complex.

8 p.m.: Princeton Regional Schools Board Meeting; John Witherspoon Middle School.

8 p.m.: Westminster Opera Theatre, Béatrice and Bénédict; The Playhouse, West-



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minster Choir College. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 3 p.m.

Friday, March 4

5:30 p.m.: CancerCare of New Jersey Benefit, An Evening at McCarter Theatre, with The Los Angeles Guitar Quartet; McCarter Theatre.

7 p.m.: PHS Studio Band Community Dance; Princeton High School Cafeteria.

7:30 p.m.: Mame; Cor Unum, Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart. Also Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: The Los Angeles Guitar Quartet; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: Jazz Pianist Cesar Camargo Mariano and Guitarist Romero Lubambo; Mount-Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown.

8 p.m.: Little by Little; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Incorruptible; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Trinity Irish Dance Company; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

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Wednesday, Feb. 23:

9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC.
1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.

Thursday, Feb. 24:

9:30 a.m. Yoga; SPB.
11:00 a.m. Let's Talk in English Too; RC.
1:00 p.m. Art; SPB.
3:00 p.m. Pilates; SPB.

Friday, Feb. 25:

9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
9:30 a.m. Free Tax Assistance; SPB.
10:30 a.m. Art; SPB.
10:45 a.m. Ping-Pong; SPB.

Monday, Feb. 28:

9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
11:00 a.m. Chair Exercise; SC.
12:30 p.m. Free Tax Assistance; SC & SPB.
1:00 p.m. Strength Training; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Solzhenitsyn's Novels; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Coping With Bereavement; SPB.
1:30 p.m. Wonder of Wordplay; SPB.

Tuesday, Mar. 1:

10:00 a.m. The Scarlet Letter & Madame Bovary; SPB.
11:15 a.m. Chair Yoga; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Social Bridge; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Literature w/Guido Ingenbrandt; SC.
1:00 p.m. Scrabble; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Ulysses II; SPB.
1:30 p.m. Computer Lab; SPB.

Wednesday, Mar. 2:

9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
10:00 a.m. The Politics of Oil; Boro Hall (West Conference Room).
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC.
1:00 p.m. Great Decisions 2005; SPB.
1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.



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Arts Council Looking For Brainy Entries For Upcoming Show

The Arts Council of Princeton and Numina Gallery are pleased to announce they are now accepting submissions for "Relatively Seeing," a collaborative art show celebrating the life and work of Albert Einstein. The juried exhibition is open to all artists high school age and older. This show will exhibit pieces inspired by Princeton's most famous physicist, Albert Einstein.

Part of a year-long and town-wide celebration of Einstein entitled "Think Einstein," which commemorates the 100th anniversary of Einstein's "Miracle Year," the juried work will travel from its

original location at the Numina Gallery to The Arts Council's WPA Gallery for its second opening during Communiversity.

All entries must be received at the Numina Gallery on March 28th between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Artists interested in submitting work by mail must include a stamped and self-addressed parcel for return shipping. All work must be for sale and ready to exhibit. Interested artists can download an entry form at www.artscouncilofprinceton.org.

The WPA Gallery is located at The Arts Council of Princeton in the Paul Robeson Building at 102 Witherspoon Street, in downtown Princeton. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 924-8777.

Diana Gonzalez Gandolfi works with encaustic and oil on wood. The metaphoric imagery in Gonzalez Gan-

dolfi's work, often consisting of circles, squares and cone shaped objects "floating in surreal landscapes [suggesting] a private world which the viewer enters with delight, and perhaps some trepidation," the artist said. The artist, who shows nationally, has received many awards and fellowships.

The art of ancient civilizations, and their use of iconic imagery, have been the main inspiration to Sally Spofford's work. She has exhibited her work widely in the area and has her work in the permanent collections of the Newark Museum, The New Jersey State Museum and The Morris Museum. She is a guest curator for the Hunterdon Museum of Art and served as juror for various competitions. She has also lectured at the Princeton University Art Museum.

Bruce Wall found inspiration for his recent body of mixed media work in a 1923 Webster's Illustrated Dictionary, which he found in the trash. Each heavily collaged painting is about a single vowel, and each vowel is represented by multiple symbols representing that vowel. He is currently an associate professor of art at Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, Pa.

The exhibit will remain on view through Sunday, April 3.

The gallery, located on Route 206 South (three miles south of Princeton), is open to the public at no charge. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on weekends, 1 to 5 p.m. For more information call (609) 252-5120 or (609) 252-6606.

Lawrenceville Exhibit Uses Signs and Symbols

The Gallery at Bristol-Myers Squibb in Lawrenceville opened "Signs and Symbols: Journey of the Spirit," featuring the works of four area artists in the first new show of 2005.

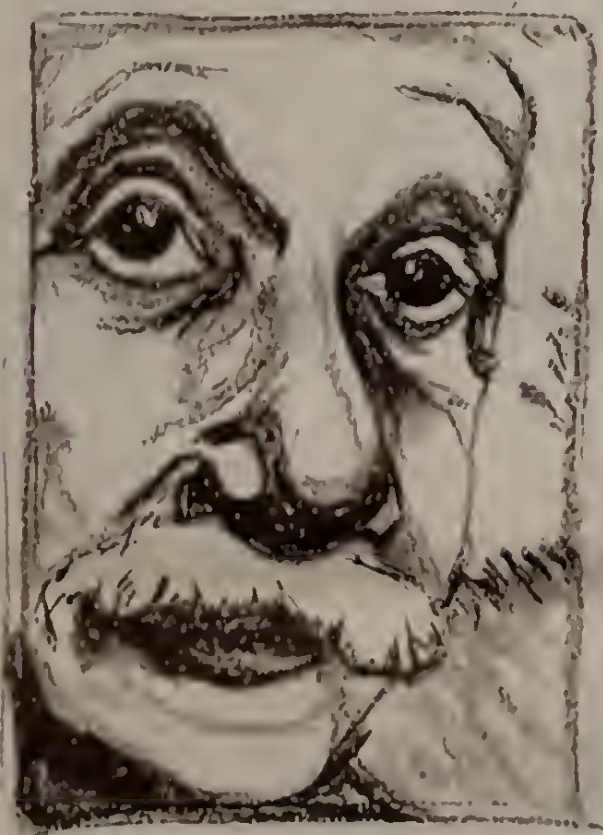
The four artists exhibiting are Barbara Klein of Lawrenceville, Diana Gonzalez Gandolfi of Highland Park, Sally Spofford of Bernardsville, and Bruce Wall of Easton, Pa.

The artists in the show use signs or symbols in their art to express their vision of the world. While most visual artists rely on shapes, colors and texture to provide meaning, these four artists use such devices to develop their own coded language. The form of that language can be more literal, as in the case of a letter from the alphabet, or more abstract, as in the use of geometric shapes. In some cases the language is ancient — shapes like the circle and square that have been used since the beginning of time to suggest fundamental life meanings — in others the language is contemporary, drawing from personal ads.

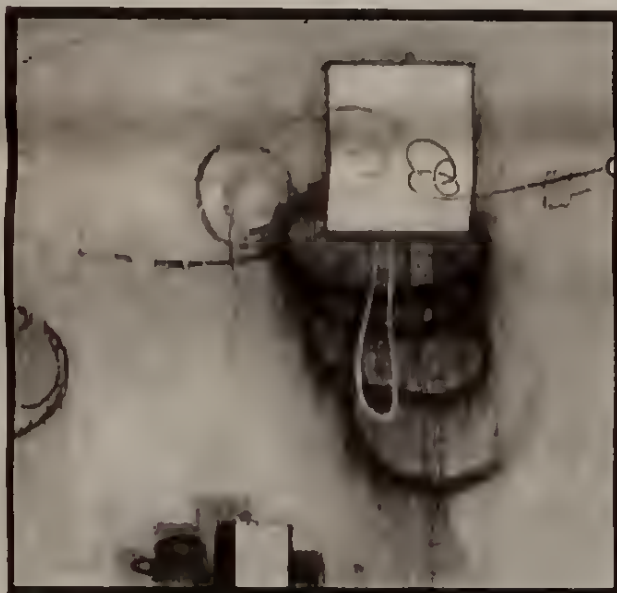
The oils on paper, wood, or canvas by Barbara Klein tend to suggest a personal coded language "struggling to communicate," according to the artist. Most of the works on view were produced during her residency at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts in Sweet Brier. Klein has been an adjunct instructor of art at the College of New Jersey since 1985.



"JOURNEY OF THE SPIRIT": Bruce Wall, a mixed-media artist from Easton, Pa., is one of four artists whose work is on display at the Gallery at Bristol-Myers Squibb in "Signs and Symbols: Journey of the Spirit." The show will run through April 3.



USING THE LEFT AND RIGHT BRAIN: As part of the community-wide "Think Einstein" campaign celebrating 100 years since Albert Einstein's "annus mirabilis" when he first published his Theory of Relativity, the Arts Council of Princeton is accepting submissions for an upcoming show celebrating the physicist.



WORLD VISIONS THROUGH SYMBOLS: This piece by artist Diana Gonzalez Gandolfi, who works with encaustic and oil on wood, is on display at the Gallery at Bristol-Myers Squibb in its first new show of 2005. The show, "Signs and Symbols: Journey of the Spirit," also features the work of artists Barbara Klein, Sally Spofford, and Bruce Wall — all of whom have exhibited in the area.

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"STANDING SOLDIER OIL LAMP": This piece from the Chinese, Qin or early Western Han dynasty, ca. 3rd-2nd century B.C. will be part of a new exhibit at the Princeton University Art Museum beginning March 5. "Recarving China's Past: Art, Archaeology, and Architecture of the 'Wu Family Shrines'" examines the burial site known as the Wu Family Shrines in the Shandong Province of northeastern China, a benchmark for the study of the Han Dynasty (206 B.C. - A.D. 220). This period is considered one of the defining periods in Chinese history that helped shape the artistic, cultural, intellectual, political, religious, and social foundations for Chinese civilization.

Images of Ukrainian Life Featured at Jewish Center

The Gallery at the Jewish Center of Princeton is now showing an exhibition of 50 photographs that portray Jewish culture and Jewish life in Ukraine.

The show, "The Jewish Shtetl Today," documents images taken from 1988 to 1995 by Philadelphia photographer and Russian immigrant Dmitry Peysakhov. In that seven-year span, he spent much of his spare time in the Ukraine, documenting what he calls the "remnants of Jewish culture and Jewish life" in an area of the world from which many American Jews trace their ancestry.

Although they were taken only about a decade ago, the black and white photographs look like illustrations torn from history books. A horse pulls a wagon, a goat wanders among graves, laundry hangs over the porch railing of a small, lopsided home. Preserving in photographs this window into ages-old "shtetl" or village life was part of what drew Peysakhov back again and again. "Meeting with people who still live the kind of life that my — and perhaps your — grandparents lived gave me much pleasure," he said, adding that this way of life is fast disappearing. According to Peysakhov, "more and more Jews are leaving the Ukraine and Belarus. We are witnessing the next Exodus in the history of our people."

In addition to the photographs in the exhibit, which are for sale, Peysakhov has published a book, "Jewish Life in Kiev" and today also works in the Philadelphia area as a Bar and Bat Mitzvah photographer.

"The Jewish Shtetl Today" will be on view through April 3. The Gallery at the Jewish Center is located at 435 Nassau Street in Princeton and is open to the public Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, 9:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.; and Sunday, 9:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. For more information visit www.dmitrystudio.com or call the Jewish Center at (609) 921-0100.



"GIRLS IN CHERNIVTSI": This 1992 picture of two youths in the Vinnitsa region of Ukraine is part of a new exhibit at the Gallery at the Jewish Center of Princeton. "The Jewish Shtetl Today" displays about 50 photographs by Philadelphia photographer and Russian immigrant Dmitry Peysakhov that portray the "remnants of Jewish culture and Jewish life in the Ukraine."



"EVA": A photography show that includes the work of area photographer Robert Lach is currently on display at Gallery 125 at 125 South Warren Street in Trenton. The show will be on display through April 1. For more information visit www.gallery125.com or call (609) 989-9119.

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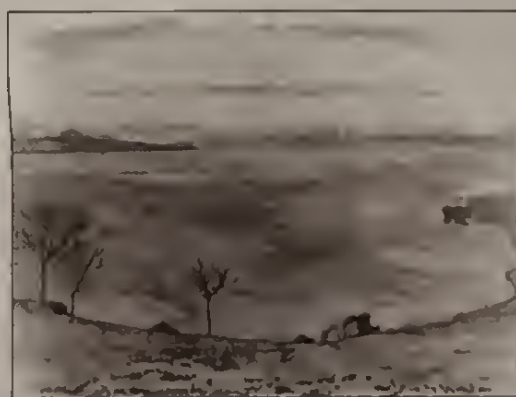
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This painting has been generously lent to the art museum for the duration of the exhibition *Monet's Garden in Zurich*, to which the museum has lent Monet's *Water Lilies and Japanese Bridge* (1899). The Hodler painting is the subject of a lecture by Stephen Eisenman on February 24.

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EVENTS

LECTURE

February 24, 4:30 p.m.

Landscape Painting in the Age of Imperialism

Stephen F. Eisenman, professor, Department of Art History, Northwestern University

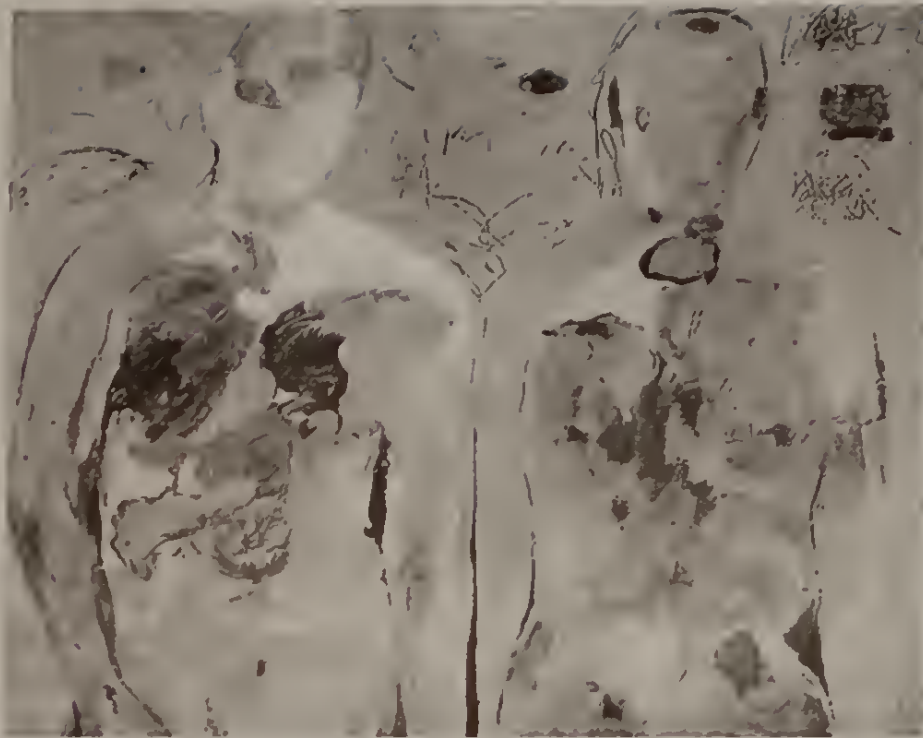
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"BIOLOGICAL PARENTS": This acrylic-on-wood piece by artist MaryAnn Miller will be part of "RUDIMENTI," a new show slated to open March 6 at Gallery 31 North in Glen Gardner.

Gallery 31 Anticipates Springtime In New Show

In preparation for the coming season, Gallery 31 North in Glen Gardner will feature the work of artist MaryAnn Miller in a new exhibit "RUDIMENTI." A painter, print and book artist, and a teacher, Miller's recent accomplishments have included an Artists Residency at Experimental Printmaking Institute, Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. While there she participated in an Artist Exchange: teaching book arts at Universidad de Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica 2002. She was a Presenter at the 2002 N.J. Book Arts Symposium at Rutgers, Newark and her work is in private collections, nationally.

Curlee Raven Holton, Director of the experimental Print-

making Institute and curator of Miller's show said "MaryAnn's material is passed on, it imagery provokes our imaginations while maintaining a definite sense of restraint. Perhaps this is residue from her childhood and a legacy of the past. This quality however, allows us to witness a natural tension between one's inhibitions and one's desire for self-liberation. MaryAnn has freed herself to create a new reality embodied in the works. They hang as sacred talismans marking her travels on the road of personal triumph and for us, they are also beautiful and complex."

"My work is about the rudiments of human existence, our biological identities and who we are genetically and culturally," Miller said. "I imagine the soundless language of chromosomes within the body

at sub-atomic levels. Genetic material is passed on, it mutates, it creates life and lifestyles. Human needs and nature have been tempered by religion, science, and politics. I search the meager remnants of my own cultural and biological identity for images to express passion I feel for these ideas."

"RUDIMENTI" will open with a reception for the artist on Sunday, March 6 from 1 to 4 p.m., and the entire show will run through April 24. Gallery hours are Thursday through Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m. or by appointment. The Gallery is located on the ground floor of the Historic Hunt House on the corner of Route 31 and Hunt Place, Glen Gardner, N.J.; approximately 4 miles North of Clinton. For more information, call (908)

537-7044, write gallery31north@comcast.net, or visit <http://www.gallery31north.com>.

Contemporary Sculpture To Show at Rider Gallery

An exhibition that features the work of sculptor Isaac Witkin will come to the Rider University Art Gallery. The show will deliver Witkin's trademark use of traditional materials while he experiments with various techniques.

"Isaac Witkin, Out of the Crucible: Images Born of Fire & Water" will open at the gallery with a reception on Thursday March 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. Witkin will subsequently give a talk about his work the following Thursday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in Rider's Sweigart Hall Auditorium. Both the reception and talk are free and open to the public.

Born in Johannesburg, South Africa, Witkin studied art at the St. Martin's School in England. While a student there, he was a member of London's "New Generation," a group of sculptors known for their innovative approach to abstract volume, new materials, and use of color. He later became the assistant to the British sculptor Henry Moore.

After moving to the United States, Witkin served as an artist in residence at Bennington College in Vermont. Known for his bold formal constructivist steel pieces from the 1960s, he expanded his base when he began to explore experimental foundry techniques. In 1997, he was commissioned by Hamilton's Grounds for Sculpture to create "Garden State," a work of Zimbabwe black granite installed on a prominent site in the park.

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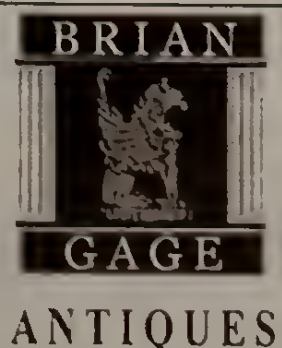
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Theatre Intime and P.U. Players Present "A Chorus Line," Michael Bennett's Moving Tribute to the Broadway Dancer

Thirty years after its groundbreaking debut, which was followed by 6,137 performances in a fifteen-year run on Broadway, *A Chorus Line* continues to sparkle in its current revival at the Murray Theatre on the Princeton University campus. It stands as one of the greatest creations of American musical theatre, and, though no longer strikingly innovative and different, a timeless appeal emanates from its honesty, simplicity, and unrestrained celebration of the world of the Broadway show dancer.

Theatre Intime and Princeton University Players successfully bring to life these characters, their dreams and their fears, throughout an exciting evening of monologue, dialogue, music, and dance. The simple framework for *A Chorus Line*, originally conceived, choreographed and directed by Michael Bennett, is an audition for an upcoming Broadway show. As the director Zack appraises his dancers — cutting from 26 to 17 to just four males and four females, *A Chorus Line* probes the minds and hearts of these fragile souls.

A Chorus Line is about the harsh competition these "gypsies" must face every day of their lives as professional show dancers. It is about the brevity of dancers' careers and the transcendent dedication of these talented people who must care more about their work than their income. It is also about the personal lives of these vulnerable individuals, who, with passion, trepidation, and focused desire to achieve their dreams, merge into a dramatic ensemble, the chorus line, a living organism larger than the sum of its parts. The driving force of this show-business musical is the competition to be cast in one of the eight chorus roles, but as the dancers one by one reveal their lives and personalities, the palette deepens and the tension mounts between the wants and needs of these individuals and the demands of the upcoming production.

Under the direction of Princeton University junior Branden Jacobs-Jenkins and sophomore Ashley Soloff, this Intime-PUP production displays a well coordinated, carefully rehearsed abundance of talent — in dance, drama, and music. Despite a few rough edges on opening night last Thursday, this *Chorus Line* successfully delivered an exhilarating evening of musical theatre.

Zack, played here with authority by Aaron Spolin, says to his auditioners, "I want the truth," and *A Chorus Line* presents that truth with powerful honesty and simplicity — without elaborate sets, just mirrors and an empty stage; without special effects; without action-packed plot; just the lives of these "gypsies" and the magic of dance. The Pulitzer Prize-winning book by James Kirkwood and Nicholas Dante and unforgettable music by Marvin Hamlisch and lyrics by Edward Kleban provide the final crucial ingredients in this dynamic, finely tuned blend.

Anticipation grabs the audience even before curtain time, as nervous dancers in rehearsal clothes fill the lobby awaiting the upcoming auditions. As the show begins the dancers flood down the aisles onto the stage, drawing the audience into the excitement of the world of show business. The opening company number *I Hope I Get It* communicates the anxiety and stimulation — "I really need this job" — through music, lyrics, and movement, as the dancers surge forward and back in lines, struggling to keep up with the combination of steps, and eventually moving into a downstage line holding their headshot photos and resumes (Am I my resume?) in front of their faces.

The pace varies, but the level of audience engagement never slackens throughout the next two hours of exploration into the lives of chorus dancers. Among the many highlights are *I Can Do That*, as Mike (Jonathan Yehuda), in a dazzling tap dance number, remembers watching his sister's dance class and deciding as a young boy that dance is the life for him; *At the Ballet*, where the acerbic Sheila (Pam Testani), backed up by Bebe (Erica Duke) and Maggie (Leonore Carlson), evokes the fantasy and beauty of ballet,

which provided her only escape from an otherwise unhappy childhood; *Hello Twelve, Hello Thirteen, Hello Love*, in which the whole company, in an amusing series of montages, relives the horrors of early adolescence — from wet dreams, to growing tits, to drama class, realizing their sexual identities and true love; and a look at the cynical side of the casting process in *Donce 10, Looks 3*, where an engagingly expressive Val (Melissa Silver) describes in detail how "tits and ass will change your life. They sure changed mine."

As *A Chorus Line* approaches its climax, it slows down to focus on Cassie (Margaret Fuhrer), an aging dancer who has been around, broken out into solo parts but is now desperate to find work again as a chorus member. Her past romantic relationship with Zack reflects the life story of the original Broadway Cassie, Donna McKechnie, who was twice married to Mr. Bennett.

An accomplished dancer, singer and actress, Ms. Fuhrer handles this long, difficult number with impressive skill and conviction, alternating between conversation with Zack and personal reflections on her past and her love of dance. Her voice, in this number and in the following scene as she and Zack argue against the background of the chorus audition, does not always project over the orchestra, but by the second weekend of performances, orchestra and actor-singer should achieve a more effective balance.

Before the final cuts, leading up to the dazzling finale,

Paul (Rob Walsh) presents a moving spoken monologue in which he shares the story of his search for identity, the traumas of his early career, his homosexuality, and his difficulties with his father; and Diana (Amy Coenen) delivers another show-stopper, leading the company in the well-known *What I Did for Love*, her passionate account of the dreams and devotion of the long-suffering show dancer ("I did what I had to do.")

Then, suddenly, the individuals, who have so convincingly won the audience's interest and sympathy, meld back into the living anonymous entity that is the chorus line to create a thrilling blend of style and movement, music, song, and dance. One, a masterpiece of musical theatre. A toning down of the traditional gold spangled costumes, space restrictions of the Murray Theatre stage and a few opening night-costuming delays resulted in some diminution of the intensity of Mr. Bennett's original choreography, but the glittering top hats are intact, the dancers are highly energized and well rehearsed, and the overall effect is an electrifying culmination to this memorable experience.

Choreography by Amanda Ameer, Natasha Kalimada, Nadia Ben-Youssef, Diana Campbell and Kelly Sortino — adapted from Mr. Bennett's original staging — is consistently engaging, vibrant, and on target with music, character, and situation. The dancers are adept and well coordinated.

Devon Wessman-Smerdon's lighting design effectively delineates between scenes of the present and scenes of thought or memory, and provides the appropriate tones and shifting moods for the proceedings, with set design — primarily the upstage mirrors — by Jon Miller and Ronee Penoi.

Music Director Alex Fiorentino sets the requisite brisk pace in conducting the adept six-piece orchestra from off-stage left, though a bit more modulation of volume would be helpful in allowing the actor-singers to communicate clearly all their lines and lyrics.

The tension between the distinct, remarkable individuals who make up the company and the anonymous, cohesive ensemble unit of the chorus line remains as the show ends with the lights fading on the exuberant kick line. "I want people in the audience to go to other shows and think about what's really gone into making that chorus," Michael Bennett explained. "It fades with them kicking. That's it. That's the end of the show. There are no bows. I don't believe in bows, just the fade out. That's what a dancer's life is."

—Donald Gilpin



"WHAT I DID FOR LOVE": Diana (Amy Coenen) explains the love and dedication that keep these chorus members in the business through hardships and disappointment, in Theatre Intime and Princeton University Players' production of 'A Chorus Line,' at Hamilton Murray Theater for one more weekend, through February 26.

A Chorus Line will run one more weekend, Thursday through Saturday, February 24-26, at 8 p.m. in the Hamilton Murray Theatre on the Princeton University campus. Call (609) 258-1742 or order online at www.princeton.edu/utickets. Visit www.theatreintime.org for further information.

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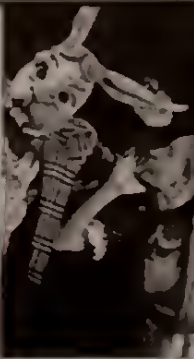
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Pianists Emanuel Ax And Yefim Bronfman In March 15 Concert

The renowned pianists Emanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman will perform at the State Theatre on Tuesday, March 15, at 8 p.m., bringing 20th-century Paris to the stage with their renditions of Debussy's *En Blanc et Noir*, Ravel's *Rhapsodie Espagnole* and *La Valse*, and Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring*.

Tickets range from \$25 to \$45.

Emanuel Ax began studying the piano at the age of six and continued his studies at the Juilliard School when his family relocated to North America in 1961. At the age of 25, he captured the attention of the music world when he won the first Arthur Schnitzler International Piano Competition in Tel Aviv. Five years later he took the Avery Fisher Prize, one of the highest honors given to an American instrumentalist. He has recently focused his attention on the music of 20th century composers. In 2004, he received Grammy Awards for his second and third volumes in the recording cycle of Haydn Piano Sonatas.

Joining Mr. Ax will be Mr. Bronfman, who was born in Tashkent in 1958. After immigrating to Israel in 1973 he subsequently moved to the United States, with support from Isaac Stern and the America-Israel Foundation. His studies at the Juilliard School and the Curtis Institute earned him the Avery Fisher Prize in 1991. In 1997 he won the Best Instrumental Soloist Grammy for his recording of the three Bartok Piano Concertos with Esa-

Pekka Salonen and the Los Angeles Philharmonic. He has performed with the Berlin Philharmonic, Chicago Symphony, Cleveland Orchestra, Pittsburgh Symphony, and New York Philharmonic, among other orchestras.

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The State Theatre is located at 15 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick.

NJSO Concert to Feature New Work's World Premiere

The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra will present a concert on March 18 at the War Memorial in Trenton featuring violinist Hilary Hahn performing a violin concerto by Samuel Barber. Also featured on the 8 p.m. program will be the Rachmaninoff Symphony No. 2 and the world premiere of a NJSO-commissioned work, *Caribbiana*, by pianist-composer Stewart Goodyear.

Vasily Sinaisky will be the guest conductor.

The concert will also be presented at NJPAC in Newark at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 17; and on Sunday, March 20 at 3 p.m.

Mr. Goodyear, a frequent piano soloist with the NJSO, has described *Caribbiana* as a 10-minute "aural spring break." The one-movement rhapsody draws its inspiration from Mr. Goodyear's memories of summering in Trinidad as a child, and Toronto's annual Carabana Festival. It incorporates calypso rhythms and reggae, and marks Mr. Goodyear's first orchestral composition in his own style.

Mr. Sinaisky's international



OPERA STUDENTS: Westminster students Lara Carr, left, will appear as Hero, with Efisa S. Vilbergssdottir as Beatrice in Westminster Opera Theater's production of Hector Berlioz's "Beatrice and Benedict" on Thursday, March 3 through Sunday, March 6 at Westminster Choir College's The Playhouse. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students.

career began in 1973 when he won the Gold Medal at the Karajan Competition in Berlin. He was music director and principal conductor of Moscow Philharmonic from 1991 to 1996. In 2000 he was invited to become music director and principal conductor of the Russian State Orchestra, a position he held until 2002. He last led the NJSO in January 2004.

Ms. Hahn, a Grammy Award-winning violinist, has established herself at the age of 24 as one of the most accomplished artists on the international concert circuit. Named America's best young classical musician by Time magazine in 2001, she appears regularly with orches-

tras in Europe, Asia, and North America. Admitted to Philadelphia's Curtis Institute of Music in 1990 at the age of 10, she made her major orchestra debut a year and a half later with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra. In 1996 she signed an exclusive recording contract with Sony Classical and made her Carnegie Hall debut as soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra.



Hilary Hahn

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Echoes of Motown Sound Coming to State Theatre

Two legendary Motown singing groups, The Temptations and The Four Tops, will present a joint concert at the State Theatre in New Brunswick on Sunday, March 13, at 7 p.m.

The history of The Temptations is a history of hits. From *My Girl* to *Papa Was a Rolling Stone* to *Treat Her a Lady*, the group found success in decade after decade. Now in their fifth decade, The Temptations continue to produce hits such as *Still Tempting*. In 1999, their 56th album, *Phoenix Rising*, became the first RIAA certified platinum album in the group's history and was nominated for two Grammy Awards. The contemporary urban music group continues to sell out concerts 30 to 40 weeks each year.

"We found the right songs and the right producers," said Otis Williams, the creative force behind The Temptations' perpetual reinvention. "This is my 40th year as a Temptation, and I've never heard our blend of voices

sound so smooth and exciting."

The Four Tops, one of the most successful R&B/pop vocal acts to emerge from Motown Records in the 1960s, was formed in Detroit in 1953 by lead singer Levi Stubbs Jr., Renaldo "Obie" Benson, Lawrence Payton, and Abdul "Duke" Fakir when they were still in high school. The group recorded for several labels before signing to Motown in 1963, where they recorded such hits as *Baby, I Need Your Loving*, *I Can't Help Myself*, and *It's the Same Old Song*.

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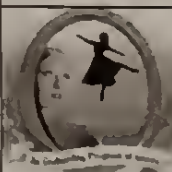


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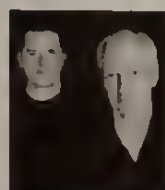
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Grammy Award Winners To Visit McCarter Theatre

Three winners of the recent 2005 Grammy Awards are scheduled to appear at McCarter Theatre over the next several months — the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet, Tom Chapin, and Keb' Mo'.

The Los Angeles Guitar Quartet, whose members include John Dearman, William Kanengiser, Scott Tennant, and Andrew York, will perform at McCarter on Friday, March 4 at 8 p.m. The Quartet won a Grammy in the Classical Crossover Album category for *Guitar Heroes*, which pays tribute to a diverse range of jazz, bluegrass, rock, and flamenco artists.

Tom Chapin, a practitioner of family music, received a Grammy in the Best Spoken Word Album category for *The Train They Call the City of New Orleans*, based on the classic folk song with illustrations by Michael McCurdy. He will appear at McCarter on Saturday, May 7 at 11 a.m. Mr. Chapin has gained widespread popularity for his recordings aimed at four to eleven year-olds and their families.

Rounding out the trio of Grammy award-winners will be bluesman Keb' Mo', whose latest CD, *Keep It Simple*,

took the 2005 award for Best Contemporary Blues Album. He will be at McCarter on Saturday, May 21 at 8:30 p.m.

McCarter's winter-spring concert schedule also includes several Grammy nominees: Dan Zanes, who received a nomination for *House Party*, a musical album for children, on Saturday, February 26 at 11 a.m.; pop diva Angelique Kidjo on Friday, May 13 at 8 p.m.; and composer/fiddler Mark O'Connor, nominated for Best Country Instrumental Performance, on Thursday, May 19 at 8 p.m.

To order tickets by phone, call the McCarter box office at (609) 258-2787 or visit www.mccarter.org.

Opera Theater to Offer "Beatrice and Benedict"

The Westminster Opera Theater will present *Beatrice and Benedict* by Hector Berlioz from Thursday, March 3 through Sunday, March 6 in The Playhouse on the Westminster Choir College campus.

Based on Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*, the opera is written in two acts. The libretto, written by Berlioz, focuses on the wits of Beatrice and Benedict, two central characters in Shakes-

peare's work whom Berlioz saw as most integral and interesting to the play.

The production will be sung in English. Bill Fabris will direct, with music direction by David Rebhun. The cast of Westminster students will be joined by Westminster faculty member Charles Walker as Leonato, the governor of Messina.

Participants in the Westminster Opera Theater program have gone on to perform in major opera houses around the world. Graduates of the program have been the grand prize winners in three of the past 12 Metropolitan Opera National Council auditions.

A regular with Chautauqua Opera, Mr. Fabris has directed *H.M.S. Pinafore*, *The Barber of Seville* and *The Mikado*. Equally at home in opera and musical theater, he has directed musicals for the past several years at the Ash Lawn-Highland Summer Festival. His New York credits include *The Desert Song*, *The Merry Widow*, and *Countess Maritzka* for the Village Light Opera Group. Since 1987, he has been director and choreographer for the New York Gilbert and Sullivan Players. He teaches music theater and dance at Westminster Choir College, and directs the Westminster Opera Theater.

Mr. Rebhun is an active assistant conductor and vocal coach in New York. He is also a recital accompanist, having played for singers worldwide. He received his bachelor of music degree from Oberlin Conservatory and his master of music degree from Manhattan School of Music.

Performances will be Thursday, March 3, Friday, March 4, and Saturday, March 5 at 8 p.m.; and Sunday, March 6 at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and students. To order, call (609) 921-2663.

Westminster Announces "Our Town" Cancellation

Westminster Conservatory, the community music school of Westminster Choir College, has announced the cancellation of all four of the performances of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* scheduled to have been presented by The Actors Company on Thursday, March 17 through Sunday, March 20.

Updated information about all of Westminster's performances is available at <http://westminster.rider.edu>.

Detroit High School Choir To Perform at Seminary

The Renaissance Varsity Chorus from Renaissance High School in Detroit, Mich., will perform a concert titled *Lift Every Voice and Sing!* at Princeton Theological Seminary this Saturday, February 26 at 8 p.m. in Miller Chapel.

Under the direction of Nina R. Scott, the choir will perform music from the African-American tradition.

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Ballet's Graham Lustig Given Contract Extension

The board of trustees of the American Repertory Ballet (ARB) and ARB's Princeton Ballet School has announced a four-year contract extension with artistic director Graham Lustig. Said board chair Joel Sobo, "We are thrilled to announce that the American Repertory Ballet, ARB's Princeton Ballet School, Dance Power, and our other outreach and education programs will be benefiting from Mr. Lustig's artistic stewardship for an additional four years."

Mr. Lustig has served as artistic director of American Repertory Ballet and ARB's Princeton Ballet School since June 1999. During the past five years he has choreographed four original ballets for the company, three for

ARB's Princeton Ballet School, and set nine of his existing works for the company. He has also commissioned numerous new works from guest choreographers as well as eight new dance works for Dancing Through the Ceiling, a program launched in 2001 to showcase women choreographers.

Mr. Lustig is currently choreographing two new ballets for ARB's spring season:

Beauty and the Beast, and a new one-act work to *Delle Cose Belle*, a recent composition by the New York composer Pat Rasile.

Beauty and the Beast will be performed to the String Sonatas of Gioacchino Rossini, and will feature period costume design by Princeton-based designer Michelle Ferranti. Mr. Lustig has decided to tell the folk

story as a Gothic romance set in early 19th century New Jersey.

Aspen Santa Fe Ballet At McCarter March 2

Hailed as "a breath of fresh air" by The New York Times dance critic Anna Kisselgoff, the Aspen Santa Fe Ballet will visit McCarter Theatre for one performance only on Wednesday, March 2 at 8 p.m.

Considered one of America's leading contemporary dance companies, the Aspen Santa Fe Ballet made its New York City debut at The Joyce Theatre. It was subsequently invited to perform at the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival. In 2004 the company made its international debut in Canada and France.

Under artistic director Tom Mossbrucker, formerly of the Joffrey Ballet, the company

performs a varied repertoire. The McCarter program will feature Nicolo Fonte's *Left Unsoid*, set to music by J.S. Bach; Lar Lubovitch's *Fondango*, set to Ravel's *Bohème*; Twyla Tharp's *Sinatra Suite*; and *Noir Blanc*, by Moses Pendleton, a co-founder of Pilobolus and founder of MOMIX.

Tickets are \$29 and \$32, with \$7 student standing room tickets also available. To order by phone, call (609) 258-2787.

Westminster Conservatory Plans Lawrenceville Recital

Kaleidoscope, the new Westminster Conservatory faculty chamber music series, will continue its recital series with a performance on Sunday, March 6, at 3 p.m. in Rider University's Gill Chapel in Lawrenceville. The series is dedicated to chamber music of all centuries, emphasizing repertoire that explores the tone colors made possible when voice and instruments from different musical families are combined. The series also features music written by members of the Conservatory faculty.

The March 6 recital will include music for mixed trios: the Trio Sonata in A by C.P.E. Bach and Promenades by Bohuslav Martinu, both for flute, violin, and piano; the Trio in E Minor and Hoboken XV:12 by Franz Joseph Haydn for violin, cello and piano; and two works for soprano, oboe, and piano, *Night Songs* by Bruce Adolph and *Meine Seele hört im Sehen* by G.F. Handel.

The performers will be Aurora Micu, soprano; Seth Rosenfeld, flute; Melissa Bohl, oboe; Ileana Ciurac, violin; Tomasz Rzewczycki, cello; and Galina Prilutskaya, piano.

Ms. Micu is a graduate of the Juilliard Pre-College Division and Westminster Choir College. She has received additional operatic training at the Shaker Mountain Opera Festival, the Intermezzo Young Artist Opera Program and festivals held in the U.K. and Italy.

Mr. Rosenthal has played flute with the New Jersey Symphony, New York City Opera, and the National Orchestral Association Symphony. He currently plays flute and piccolo in opera orchestras, ballet orchestras, bands, and symphonies in New Jersey and New York. He is a member of the board of trustees of the New York Flute Club, which he also serves as publicity director.

Ms. Bohl plays principal oboe with the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra and the Edison Symphony. She also performs regularly with the Delaware Valley Philharmonic, Bohème Opera, and the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea. An oboe teacher at the Lawrenceville School, she is a member of the master faculty at Westminster Conservatory.

Two additional Kaleidoscope recitals are planned for Sunday, April 10 in Gill Chapel at 3 p.m.; and May 8 at 4 p.m. In Westminster Choir College's Bristol Chapel.

The recital has a suggested donation of \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors and students, payable at the door. For more information, call (609) 921-2663.



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"RITE OF SPRING": Chinese opera, painting, theater, sculpture, and dancing will be combined in choreographer Shen Wei's "The Rite of Spring," set to Igor Stravinsky's music, at McCarter Theatre this Friday, February 25 at 8 p.m. The program will mark the McCarter debut for the modern dance company Shen Wei Dance Arts. For tickets, call (609) 258-2787.

Shen Wei Dance Company Debuts Friday at McCarter

The modern dance company Shen Wei Dance Arts will make its McCarter Theatre debut this Friday, February 25 at 8 p.m.

Chinese-born choreographer and painter Shen Wei will combine his love of dance, theater, Chinese opera, painting, and sculpture in two dances, *The Rite of Spring*, set to the music of Igor Stravinsky, and *Beyond Resonance*, set to music by David Lang.

"I wasn't taught the arts separately, so I don't separate them in my work," explained Mr. Shen. "I'm looking for a new way to communicate."

Founded in 2001, the New York-based troupe is dedicated to the creation of dance based on a hybrid of Western and Eastern cultures. At the premiere of *Rite of Spring* at the 2002 American Dance Festival, the images created by Shen and his ten-member company left the audience "momentarily stunned," wrote The New York Times dance critic Anna Kisselgoff. "Silence was followed by prolonged ovation," she added. She cited the work as one of the top dance events of 2003.

Born in Hunan, China,

Shen Wei worked for the Hunan State Xian Opera Company from 1984 to 1989 and was an original member of the Guangdong Modern Dance Company, the first modern dance company in China, as a choreographer and dancer from 1991 to 1994. He was awarded first prize for both choreography and performance at the inaugural National Modern Dance Competition in China in 1994. After receiving a scholarship from the Nikoia/Louis Dance Lab in 1995, he moved to New York and founded Shen Wei Dance Arts in 2000. His work has been presented at the Edinburgh Festival, Brighton Arts Festival, Asia Society of New York, National Theatre of Taiwan, Lincoln Center Festival, and Holland Dance Festival, in addition to the festivals of Korea, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, and India.

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FILMMAKER TO VISIT PRINCETON: The award-winning filmmaker William Greaves, right, shown at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival with actor Steve Buscemi, will visit the James Stewart Theater next week to screen and discuss his recent films. The screenings, at 4:30 p.m. on March 1 and March 2, are free and open to the public.

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Filmmaker William Greaves To Screen His Films Here

Filmmaker William Greaves, a winner of more than 70 awards, will be on the Princeton University campus next week to screen and discuss two recent films, *Ralph Bunche: An American Odyssey*, and *Symbiopsychotaxiplasm, Take 2*. The screenings will take place at the James Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street, on Tuesday March 1, and Wednesday March 2, at 4:30 p.m.

The screening of *Ralph Bunche* will be followed by a discussion with Prof. Cornel West, the screening of *Symbiopsychotaxiplasm* by a discussion with Su Friedrich.

Both events are free and open to the public.

In 1949, Ralph Bunche won the Nobel Peace Prize for successfully negotiating armistice agreements between Israel and four neighboring Arab nations. It was the first time the prize was awarded to a person of color. The global reach of his work can be seen today in the peacekeeping strategies and operations he created as U.N. Under-Secretary General.

Symbiopsychotaxiplasm, Take 2 had its world premiere at the 2005 Sundance Festival. Its executive producers are Steven Soderbergh and Steve Buscemi. A hybrid of cinema verité, documentary, and conventional Hollywood drama, it is the sequel to Mr. Greaves's *Take 1* of 1968. Using multiple cameras and film formats, and mixing improvisation with scripted dialogue, Mr. Greaves's film explores the relationship between a gay white man and a heterosexual African-American woman.

Mr. Greaves's original film, *Take 1*, shot in 1968, was never released. In 1991, however, The Brooklyn Museum showed it as part of a Greaves retrospective, unleashing critical acclaim. J. Hoberman wrote that the movie "enters American history so decisively it seems like it's always been there." Armand White called it "a witty, still timely and extraordinary satire." The "discovery" led to screenings of the film at many venues around the U.S. Mr. Buscemi saw it at the Sundance Film Festival in 1992, and immediately asked to work with Mr. Greaves on the next installment.

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QUESTION: My wife tells me that I'm too harsh with the kids. When I was growing up, my Dad was a lot more than harsh, pushing me all the time to work hard and giving me a good swift kick in the butt when I didn't. Life is hard. What's wrong with preparing kids for what they're going to find when they leave home?

ANSWER: Helping your child to prepare for the demands that life will inevitably make upon him or her is a tremendous gift that a parent can offer a child. But portraying life in a cynical way tarnishes your gift, and delivering that message in a harsh manner confuses the child, making them wonder whether their value and your love are conditional upon performance.

While you want your son or daughter to live up to their potential, you do not want them to sweat buckets when they come home with an F in spelling in 4th Grade, fearing that you may revoke their membership card in the family. They need to know that you want them to do their best, but that your love is unconditional. Win or lose, you will be there for them.

It is important that you teach that distinction now, for if you do not, they may later internalize the formula of inner worth being predicated upon outer performance and forever have an overcritical monkey on their backs. As kids, the examples are easy enough to spot; all you need do is watch their reaction to disappointments: not getting a hit in a Little League game, getting a C instead of an A in math, not making the football team in high school, not making honor roll, and so forth.

Your response to their reaction will be key. If you are critical, scolding them for "gloating off" or labeling them "a loser" who will "never amount to anything if you keep this up", you are reinforcing the negative message with which they have already branded themselves. When they leave home, your role in this process will end, but they will be running for the rest of their lives to prove themselves through a better job, a higher salary, a lower golf handicap, a better neighborhood, or whatever bespeaks success to them.

By now being reasonable and sharing their disappointment, but reassuring them of your love and encouraging them to try harder next time, you mirror for them their value, and make them realize that tomorrow is, after all, another day. As their value is within them, then a loss today does not a loser make. Their innate abilities will rise to the occasion the next time, the pain of the disparity today between one's inner potential and outer mistake being countered by another at bat tomorrow that will most probably yield a different result.

So, prepare your child for life, but do so with understanding and love, and without harshness and cynicism.

This Wellness column is funded through the generosity of a grant from the J. Seward Johnson, Sr. Charitable Trusts. If you would like Father Stimpson to answer a question of yours on family life, daily living or emotional health, you can write to him at: Trinity Counseling Service, 22 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540. Trinity Counseling Service provides clinical or pastoral counseling on a sliding fee scale for all who need help and support. Phone Trinity Counseling Service at 609-924-0060 to set an appointment.

CINEMA REVIEW

Being Julia

Annette Bening at Her Best in Oscar-Nominated Role As Aging Stage Actress

Being Julia is a beguiling romantic drama about an aging actress who, at the height of her career, engages in an illicit affair with an admirer who is half her age. The tale of abandonment and betrayal is set in London in the late thirties and stars Annette Bening in the title role. Jeremy Irons

co-stars as Michael Gosselyn, her cuckolded husband, and Shaun Evans as Tom Fennel, Julia's ardent American admirer.

Based on *Theatre*, a 1937 novel by W. Somerset Maugham, the film's screenplay was prepared by Ronald Harwood, who won an Academy Award in 2003 for his adaptation of *The Pianist*. The Hungarian director Istvan Szabo, also won an Academy Award for the Best Foreign Film in 1982 for *Mephisto*.

As the film opens, we find Julia resentful of her husband, a workaholic who sees his wife as more of a meal ticket than a mate.

To maximize profits, he's callously booked her

into a grueling routine in a play which calls for several performances a week. As a consequence, Julia finds herself depressed despite rave reviews, standing ovations, and being the toast of town.

Because she feels so empty, alone, and unfulfilled

spiritually, the persistent flattery and insistent flirtations of Shaun turn Julia into an irresponsible philanderer. Julia behaves like a shameless party girl, thereby risking her career and marriage.

She impulsively showers Shaun with baubles and money,

but her generosity is returned with evidence that he's been two-timing her. In addition, Shaun's other woman, Avice (Lucy Punch), is a beautiful aspiring actress.

The triangle gets even more complicated when Michael invites the ambitious Avice to join him on the casting couch. A couple of compromising positions later, Julia finds herself having to work with this vivacious up-and-comer. A standoff ensues, the tension builds, and Julia adroitly settles the score with Avice on stage.

Bening has won a Golden Globe for her role of Julia. Now, nominated for an Academy Award, she finds herself once again up against Hilary Swank (*Million Dollar Baby*), the upset-winner for *Boys Don't Cry* who spoiled the American Beauty sweep five



THINGS ARE NOT WHAT THEY SEEM TO BE: As Julia, (Annette Bening, left) blissfully dances the night away with Shaun (Tom Fennel), she is unaware that he will soon betray her for a younger woman.

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years ago. Perhaps Bening, like her indomitable character, will get the last laugh this Sunday night.

Very Good (★★★). Rated R for sexuality. Running time: 108 minutes. Distributor: Sony Pictures Classics.

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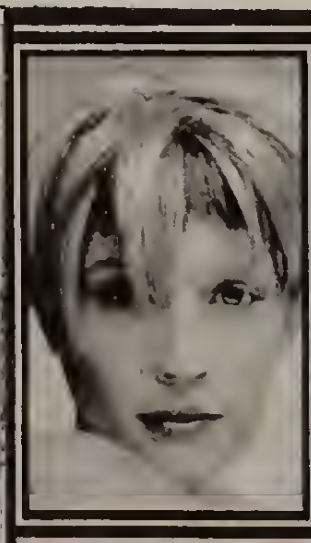
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The Aviator (PG-13 for nudity, sexual content, mature themes, profanity, and a crash sequence). Martin Scorsese tapped Leonardo DiCaprio to play Howard Hughes in this biopic about the enterprising, eccentric playboy who parlayed a modest inheritance into a massive fortune. With Kate Beckinsale as Ava Gardner, Cate Blanchett as Katherine Hepburn, Jude Law as Errol Flynn, Gwen Stefani as Jean Harlow, Jane Lynch as Amelia Earhart, Stanley DeSantis as Louis B. Mayer, and Michael-John Wolf as Cary Grant.

Because of Winn-Dixie (PG for adult themes and epithets). Based on the children's novel of the same name, this family drama follows the adventures of a 10-year-old girl (AnnaSophia Robb), abandoned by her mother, who moves with her preacher father (Jeff Daniels) to Florida where she heals with the help of the stray dog she adopts.

Being Julia (R for sexuality). Romance drama, set in London in the 1930s, features Annette Bening as an aging stage actress who, at the height of her career, takes refuge from a stale marriage in an illicit love affair with an ardent American admirer half her age.

The Chorus (PG-13 for sex, expletives and violence). Uplifting melodrama, set at a French boarding school in 1948, chronicles the efforts of a devoted music teacher (Gerard Jugnot) to rehabilitate his juvenile delinquent students by inspiring them to appreciate the transformational power of song. In French with subtitles.

Constantine (R for violence and demonic images). Horror film, adapted from the comic book series, stars Keanu Reeves in the title role as John Constantine Hellblazer, a mysterious, misfit detective who teams up with a female cop (Rachel Weisz) to solve the murder of her twin sister. With Djimon Hounsou and Tilda Swinton.

Cursed (Rated PG-13 for horror violence, terror, sexual references, nudity, profanity, and a drug reference). Wes Craven (director) and Kevin Williamson (screenwriter) reunite to collaborate on another high body-count, teen screamer, this about a malevolent werewolf on the loose in Los Angeles. The cast includes Christina Ricci, Joshua Eisenberg, Omar Epps, Shannon Elizabeth, James Brolin, Lance Bass, Sheila E., Scott Baio, Craig Kilborn, Jillian Barberie, and Freddie Prinze, Jr.

Diary of a Mad Black Woman (PG-13 for drug content, mature themes, sexual references, and violence). Dysfunctional family comedy starring Kimberly Elise as a just-jilted housewife trying to land on her feet after being kicked out of the house by a husband (Steve Harris) who is dumping her for her best friend. With Shemar Moore and Cicely Tyson.

Finding Neverland (PG for adult themes and mild epithets). Johnny Depp stars as Scottish playwright J.M. Barrie in this family drama which speculates about what might have been the inspiration behind Peter Pan, his revered children's classic. With Kate Winslet, Vanessa Redgrave, Dustin Hoffman and Julie Christie.

Hitch (PG-13 for profanity and sexual references). Unlikely-buddy comedy with Will Smith as a date doctor doling out advice to a geek (Kevin James) going after the glamorous girl (Amber Valletta) of his dreams. Cast includes Eva Mendes, Michael Rapaport, and Adam Arkin.

Hotel Rwanda (PG-13 for violence, profanity, and disturbing images). Don Cheadle landed a Golden Globe nomination for his performance in this true story about a hotel manager who saved over 1,000 refugees from ethnic cleansing during the Rwandan civil war. With Nick Nolte, Joaquin Phoenix, and Cara Seymour.

Man of the House (PG-13 for violence, sexual content, crude humor, and a drug reference). Tommy Lee Jones takes the title role in this humor-driven action flick as a Texas Ranger assigned to go undercover to protect a team of cheerleaders who have witnessed a murder protection program. Cedric the Entertainer comes aboard for some comic relief.

The Merchant of Venice (R for nudity). Tenth big screen adaptation of the William Shakespeare classic about a man expected to pay off a loan he took for a friend with a pound of his own flesh. Starring Al Pacino as Shylock, Jeremy Irons as Antonio, Joseph Fiennes as Bassanio, and Lynn Collins as Portia.

Million Dollar Baby (PG-13 for violence, profanity, and adult themes). Clint Eastwood directs and stars in this fight film about an ex-boxer who, with the help of a wise, one-eyed janitor (Morgan Freeman), grudgingly trains a woman (Hilary Swank) who wants to be a contender. Landed Best Picture, Director, and a trio of acting Oscar nominations, one for each of the above thespians.

Pooh's Heffalump Movie (G). Disney kiddie cartoon adventure has Winnie the Pooh and pals in the forest where they learn some very valuable life lessons while searching for a mysterious creature.

Sideways (R for sex, expletives, and nudity). Mid-life crisis comedy with Paul Giamatti as an unpublished writer who embarks on an exploration of women and relationships in the California wine country with his old college roommate, a washed-up actor (Thomas Haden Church), who is going to be married in one week.

Son of the Mask (PG for action violence, crude and suggestive humor, and epithets). Sequel sans Jim Carrey has Jamie Kennedy as a cartoonist whose infant son has a magical mask. Cast includes Alan Cumming, Bob Hoskins and Ben Stein.

The Wedding Date (PG-13 for sexual content). Debra Messing stars in this romantic comedy, set in London, as an old maid who hires a male escort (Dermot Mulroney) to dupe the fiancé, who dumped her, into believing she has a hot new beau.

—Kam Williams

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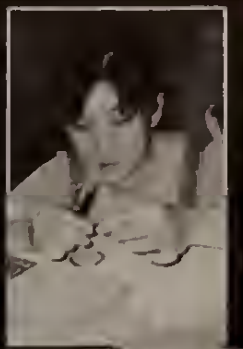
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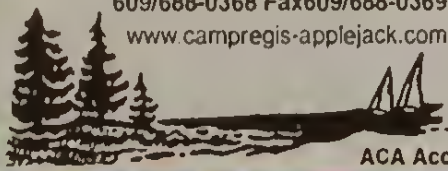
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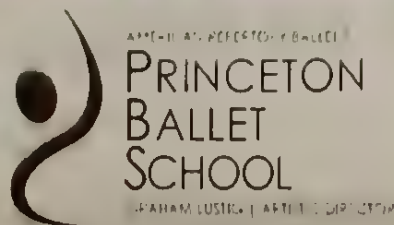
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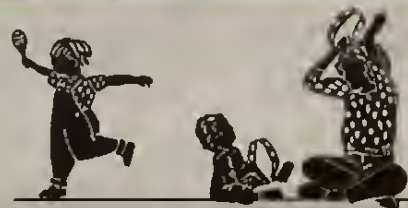
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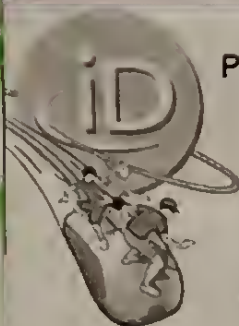
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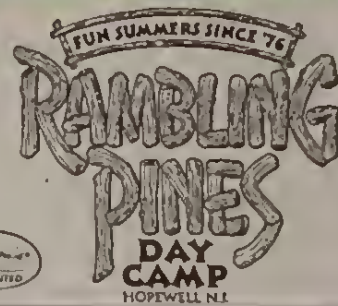


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John P. C. Matthews is Princeton-born and bred. Indeed, his Princeton lineage — town and gown — is impressive, spanning several generations.

Family portraits include leaders in the clergy, law (a U.S. Supreme Court justice), education, and journalism. Mr. Matthews has followed in their footsteps — if not in choice of career, but by his engagement in the world, actively seeking ways to make a positive difference.

With his love of Princeton sound and strong, he has traveled widely, concentrating on Eastern Europe, an area which became the focus of his life work, a career blending government, business, education, and writing.

A Princeton boyhood and background filled with music, sports, church, and school were the foundation of his later wide-ranging interests and accomplishments.

Born in Princeton in 1929, he was the second son of Thomas S. Matthews and Juliana Cuyler Matthews, members of two well-known Princeton families.

"My mother had four brothers and my father had five sisters," reports Mr. Matthews. "So there were four Cuyler uncles and five Matthews aunts. And I was probably 10 or 11 before I realized that not everyone had two sets of grandparents living in the same town."

Every Summer

Three brothers, Thomas, Paul, and Alexander completed the family.

Young John's life was one of privilege. As he recalls, "My father's family was wealthy. My grandfather, Paul Matthews, was the Episcopal Bishop of New Jersey, and my father was managing editor of Time Magazine from 1942 to 1949. We went every summer near Newport, R.I. to my grandfather's house. We'd sail, go to the beach, and have wonderful summers there."

He was especially close to his Cuyler relatives, in particular his uncle and godfather Lewis B. "Buzz" Cuyler.

"I saw a lot of him," recalls Mr. Matthews. "I admired my father, but I didn't see him as much. As editor of Time, he had to be at the magazine a lot, and sometimes I'd only see him two or three hours a week. Then in 1952, he went to live in England, and 'The Barracks', the Cuyler house, became home to us."

"I greatly admired my father and his writing," continues Mr. Matthews. "He was definitely the best editor the U.S. produced in the 20th Century, but we had many fights, and I didn't always like him."

He has especially warm feelings for his mother, however, who died in 1949 when John was in college.

Enjoyable Memories

"I loved my mother very much. She introduced religion to me. She was very religious herself, and she was also thought to be the most beautiful girl in town."

In addition, he has many enjoyable memories of his mother reading all the children's

classics to her boys.

"I went to Miss Fine's School through the fourth grade and then to Princeton Country Day until 9th grade," says Mr. Matthews. "I grew up on Hibben Road, and I remember we'd rush home from school on our bikes to listen to the radio, especially 'The Green Hornet', 'Jack Armstrong', and 'The Lone Ranger.'"

"We also loved the movies and went to the Playhouse and the Garden for \$.35! We had favorite movie stars like Errol Flynn and Clark Gable."

"I enjoyed school," he continues. "I was occasionally on the honor roll, and I also enjoyed sports and acting. In my senior year at PDS, when I was 12, I played the lead in A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court. I also played soccer, ice hockey, and baseball."

John also had an older brother, Tom, to keep an eye on him. "He would often break the ice. He'd always say to the older kids, 'do you mind if I bring my little brother along?', and I'd tag along. At 14, I went with him one summer to work on a cattle ranch in Montana, where I learned to smoke and roll my own!"

Ice Skating

Growing up in Princeton, then a town of some 7,000 to 8,000 people, Mr. Matthews especially remembers the years during World War II.

"We heard about Pearl Harbor when we were ice skating on Sunday afternoon at Baker Rink," he recalls. "Most of the town skated there on Sunday."

The rink is named for yet another relative — Hobart Baker, his mother's first cousin. The legendary "Hobey" Baker of Princeton University hockey fame, was killed while serving with the Lafayette Esquadron in World War I.

"There was a lot of military around during the war," says Mr. Matthews. "The Army and Navy training programs were on campus, and the Marines were at the Graduate College. I remember hearing them play taps at night, which was beautiful. There was also a Belgian refugee, who played the carillon, and that was lovely."

Albert Einstein lived nearby, he adds, and "we'd often see him walking, and I was introduced to him. Those were good days."

When he was 14, John followed family tradition and went to South Kent Prep School in Connecticut, which had been founded by his uncle, Richard Cuyler.

Old Nassau

Given his family history, it was a forgone conclusion that he would spend his college days at Old Nassau. As he says, "attending Princeton University was the path of least resistance. My paternal grandfather, my father, my brother Tom, and four Cuyler uncles had all gone there. All together, at



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that time, eight members of my family had attended Princeton.

"Also, who knows — if I had applied to Yale or Harvard, I might not have gotten in!"

Not especially interested in academics, John was satisfied with a "Gentleman's C" until his senior year, he recalls.

"When I came to Princeton, I was something of a jock. At South Kent, I had played on the undefeated football team, rowed, and was captain of the hockey team. One football game stands out as a highlight of my life. We beat another undefeated team after we were down 20 to 6 in the fourth quarter."

While at the University, he played freshman and varsity hockey, and also rowed on the crew team. In addition, he enjoyed singing in the glee club.

At Princeton, he also continued his friendship with Ralph C. Woodward, who had been his roommate at South Kent. It is a friendship which has remained close through the years.

Troop Ship

"When we met at South Kent, we found out we were distant cousins," recalls Mr. Woodward, now living in Massachusetts. "We became very good friends, and we had similar interests. Johnny persuaded me to come to Princeton. We roomed together again, and because we were related, I became immersed in his family too."

"Johnny and I spent the summer before going to Princeton cycling in England. We went over on a converted troop ship with our bikes. It was a marvelous trip. Johnny had great connections through his family, and we met everyone from servants and working people to dons at Oxford and dukes and duchesses."

Majoring in English literature at Princeton, John was intellectually engaged by his senior

thesis, he reports. "It was about Interbellum England between World Wars I and II and the satiric writers Aldous Huxley, Evelyn Waugh, and George Orwell. I liked it because it was very much my own research."

"I admired several professors at Princeton," he adds. "One I particularly remember is English Professor Lawrence Thompson, who said in our first class: 'There is no such thing as objectivity.'"

Throughout his college years, John attended services at Trinity Church, where he had started out early in his childhood as a choir boy.

"I was an acolyte there, and one time T.S. Eliot, who was then at the Institute for Advanced Study, came in, and he was the only person in the congregation. I also worked in the St. Paul's Society on campus."

Mr. Matthews' life went in a new direction in 1949, when he met Wellesley student Verna Damon while he was on a trip to Massachusetts.

"I met her at Harvard, and for me, it was love at first sight! She was from Pittsfield, Mass., and her family, originally from England, had founded Reading, Mass. We got married in 1951 before graduation, after I had finished my thesis. The most important thing I ever did in my life was proposing to her!"

Career Plans

Career plans were up in the air after graduation, he reports. "Having spent one summer at the Princeton Herald, where I had the privilege of working with guys back from the war, I was thinking of going into journalism. But I wasn't really committed. If there had been a Peace Corps then, I would have gone right into it. I wanted to convey the values of American freedom to others."

As it turned out, he joined Radio Free Europe (RFE) in August of 1951, and as he explains, "Radio Free Europe was put together by a number of private people who had been in and out of government, and it was backed by the U.S. government. I got a job writing the news, which was translated by exiles and then transmitted to countries in Eastern Europe."

The Matthews lived in New York City for two years during this time, but then returned to Princeton — "My wife and I are 'country' people" — until 1954, when they relocated to Munich, Germany, headquarters of RFE.

"My heart was set on going to Munich," he recalls. "It was exciting to be where the action was. We loved Munich and had an apartment, which was full of exiles who spoke no English. We spoke a little German, but as it turned out, English was becoming the 'lingua franca' of all the exiles."

Mr. Matthews remembers those days with much pleasure and as the beginning of his fascination with mid-20th century Eastern

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John P.C. Matthews

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Europe.

"I worked at the Central News Desk, writing headlines. There were bureaus all over Western Europe, and we were targeting all the countries in Eastern Europe trying to bring news to them. I really enjoyed the work. There were a lot of young Americans involved."

Ethical Matters

One of the Americans Mr. Matthews worked with was journalist Les Whitten, Jr., later a respected reporter with The Washington Post. Now retired and living in Washington, D.C., Mr. Whitten recalls Mr. Matthews' scrupulous care and attention to the work at hand, and his integrity.

"I've known John since he went to RFE in the '50s, and we were all in the newsroom together in Munich. John is a very careful editor and very responsible writer. He did wonderful work. Also, we could always count on John when it came to journalistic ethics or any ethical matters. We could bounce them off him and be sure of getting a pure answer. John was in a sense the purest of us all."

"He and his wife Verna were one of four families that were very close at RFE. We'd get together for Thanksgiving and other American holidays, and go on vacations together. He's been my pal ever since."

Reflecting on those days, Mr. Matthews recalls being very absorbed in the work. "I was wrapped up in the Cold War, interested in understanding Communists and what was going on behind the iron Curtain. I was especially fascinated by a speech Krushchev made in 1956, and did an analysis of it. I decided that it was a very defensive speech, and that our work was being effective."

In 1956, still in Munich, Mr. Matthews became editorial advisor to Free Europe Press (FEP), which was part of the Free Europe Committee, consisting of print, radio, and exile departments.

"Early on, there was an FEP balloon leaflet campaign containing condensations of Western news directed to Czechoslovakia, Poland, and Hungary," explains Mr. Matthews.

Key Individuals

The leaflet program stopped at the time of the Hungarian Revolution in October of 1956, and another program which had already begun was emphasized.

This included mailing actual books and magazines to designated individuals, especially intellectuals, in various Eastern European countries. Eventually, says Mr. Matthews, more than 10 million books, magazines and periodicals were put into the hands of key individuals living in

Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

"A Marshall Plan for the Mind", as he describes the project, it did not focus on propaganda, but instead emphasized the best of the West's ideas in literature, art, philosophy, economics, etc.

Responses in the form of letters from the recipients were very positive, and as Mr. Matthews later noted in an article in "The International Journal of Intelligence and Counter-Intelligence" in 2003, the program "must have had a significant influence on professional people in the Soviet orbit as they waited out those nearly four decades of the Cold War."

"At the start of 1989, no one in the West imagined that the Iron Curtain would fall by the end of the year, or that the Soviet Union would disappear two years later.... The chasm between East and West had finally disappeared.... Reality, filtering through that Iron Curtain in a hundred ways, replaced the unnatural and ultimately irrational Communist system. Intellectuals in the East understood intellectuals in the West because they had been reading the same books."

In 1959, Mr. Matthews and his family, now including three sons — Philip, John, and Christopher — returned to the U.S., where he served as Program Director of the Foreign Policy Association's World Affairs Center in New York.

Great Decisions

"A great deal of the program had to do with the United Nations," he explains. "American community leaders were invited to spend a day at the U.N., including a visit to the General Assembly, to learn more about the operation of the U.N."

"This program took place in the fall," he continues. "In the winter, we arranged 'Great Decisions' meetings all over the country in which participants met to discuss important issues, such as 'What Should Be the U.S. Policy in the Middle East?'"

"I was fascinated with these programs, and in 1968, I organized and put on a 'Great Decisions' meeting here in Princeton. We had a mix of topics, and history Professor Cyril Black of Princeton University was very helpful in recruiting excellent professors to speak on different subjects. It was broadcast on WHWH."

His experience at the Foreign Policy Association's World Affairs Center led to a four-year stint at Princeton University's Development in International Affairs program.

"Alien Kassof, Professor of sociology, was an expert on Soviet Youth," explains Mr. Matthews. "He and Professor Black headed the Critical Languages program at Princeton in which students from other colleges would come here to study Japanese, Chinese, Farsi, Arabic, etc. I was involved in the administration of this program and raising funds for it, and also as back-up to Professor Black."

Scholarly Exchange

Then, it was back to New York, where at the invitation of Professor Kassof, who had founded the International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX), Mr. Matthews

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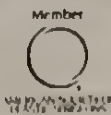
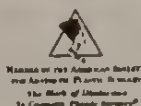
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headed its East European operations.

A scholarly exchange program, it involved 160 colleges and universities, he explains. Soviet and Eastern European scholars came to American universities, and Americans traveled to universities in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. Scholarly research, not teaching, was emphasized.

"We worked with the Department of State, the Ford Foundation, and educational ministries of the foreign countries," says Mr. Matthews. "I was with this organization for 13 years, and that was when I first went behind the Iron Curtain and to all the East European countries. I got a much better feeling about the situation by actually going to these countries."

In fact, Mr. Matthews has traveled to Eastern Europe more than 70 times, and on each occasion, he has kept a journal.

After leaving IREX in 1981, he launched his own company, East Europe Trade Association, an import-export business, which he operated for 14 years. It was after his retirement that he seriously began to consider writing a book based on his observations, experiences, and knowledge of Eastern Europe in the 1950s.

"I wanted to do a book about the 1956 Hungarian Revolution, but when the Iron Curtain fell, there were hundreds of books on it," he says. "But none tells the whole story. I brought home a trunkful of material from the Central Newsroom in Munich, and I decided to do a book when I retired."

Exciting Incident

As it turns out, he wrote another book, *Tinderbox: East-Central Europe in the Spring, Summer and Early Fall of 1956* first, really the result of a conversation he had had with a young Hungarian scholar.

"I was telling him about an incident in Czechoslovakia in the spring of 1956, when the students held their annual 'Majales' (meaning May in Latin) parade on the first of May. An ancient custom, it was banned by the Communists in 1948, but in '56 they let the students have it in Czechoslovakia. Although they clipped their wings, they didn't arrest anyone. It was an exciting incident, and the Czechs were delighted.

"The Hungarian fellow didn't know about this, and it became the crux of an article for me: 'Majales', which was published in the Cold War International History Project of the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars. It was so well-received that it was then translated into Czech and published by the Institute for Contemporary History of the Czech Academy of Sciences."

Out of that came Mr. Matthews book, *Tinderbox*.

As the evidence suggests, working hard is certainly Mr. Matthews' "n.o.", but he tries to take time out to enjoy the pleasures of Princeton, a place he continues to value and where he has lived most of his life.

Of course, he is aware of changes and a loss of some of

the amenities of past times in Princeton. As he says, "I miss so many of the old stores not being here. There are so many chains now. Princeton was a small town when I was growing up, you couldn't walk down Nassau Street, and not see someone you knew."

Great Place

It's still a great place, though, he hastens to add. "You have theater, tremendous live music, also a terrific classical radio station in WWFM. It's a wonderful place to bring up kids. They can go to all the games at the University, and it's a great location between New York and Philadelphia."

Mr. Matthews continues to have a strong interest in music, and he regularly sings bass/baritone in the Society of Musical Amateurs, an organization established in 1935. He gets together with the chorus eight times a year.

Trinity Church also remains a significant part of his life. "I believe I am the oldest congregant in terms of continuity," he says, with a smile. "The church is very important to me. It was founded by my 3-times great grandfather, John Potter, on the Cuyler side. He owned the land the church is on and gave it to them."

"He is buried in the churchyard there. So is my father, mother, my grandfather, and my infant son. I will be buried there too. It is home. It is very meaningful to me."

Mr. Matthews' involvement with the church extends to volunteer work as a visitor to church members in the hospital. Princeton resident, author, and deacon at Trinity, Peter Funk, comments on Mr. Matthews' loyalty and dedication to this work. "John has been a hospital caller for a number of years. He is very gifted in this way. He relates very well to people and connects with patients so well. He is there representing God through the church. It is truly a gift to be able to do this. I always enjoy talking with John, and he is a very responsible, dedicated person."

Turbulent Times

Having witnessed turbulent times during his life and career, Mr. Matthews is strongly involved in the peace movement, and he is a founding member of the Coalition for Peace Action in Princeton.

"I have worked with them and am a member of 20 other organizations working for peace," he explains. "I am an activist for peace."

Not surprisingly, many of the people Mr. Matthews most

admires are those who have also sought to advance peace in the world. "There are so many people I admire today," he remarks. "George Soros, a Hungarian Jew, who left Hungary at 16 and has given \$100 million to Russia to pay the salaries of atomic scientists."

"I admire Lech Walesa, Ghandi, Adlai Stevenson, and Martin Luther King. They are all heroes to me."

Now Mr. Matthews is working hard on his upcoming book, *Explosion: The Hungarian Revolution of 1956*, which he hopes will be published in 2006, the 50th anniversary of the event.

"I'm not a scholar or historian," he says. "I'm writing historical journalism. What I want to do is bring the Revolution back alive. It was a very exciting time. If it had gone differently, the Cold War could have ended sooner."

"Things are hopeful in Eastern Europe now, but many of the same people who were oppressing the Eastern Europeans are still in the woodwork—the Secret Police, Communist officials, etc. But things are getting better. The European Union is a major step. The young people think of themselves as Europeans today."

Young people and intellectuals are often forces for change, points out Ralph Woodward. "John was in a unique position, was actually getting information at the time, and what was happening then in 1956—a resurgence of freedom—is seen in the world at large today. Youth and intellectuals are two forces in society that are catalysts for change, and it is relevant to our world today."

Mr. Matthews surely agrees, especially with reference to the very successful "Marshall Plan for the Mind". As he has written in the *International Journal of Intelligence and Counter-Intelligence*: "In an age of 'war on terror' and a seeming clash of cultures, it is comforting to look back and consider that precedents for our problems do exist, that what seem like intractable problems do get solved, and implacable foes can be turned into people who understand and respect one another when communication is genuine, avoids propaganda, and is conducted on a truly cultural level."

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Rogers' Recent Surge Has Tiger Women's Hoops Aiming to Clinch First Winning Season in 6 Years

Ariel Rogers didn't have to deal with a lot of criticism on the court during her stellar high school basketball career.

The 5'11 forward from Evanston, Ill. burned up Chicago basketball circles, being named as a Central Suburban All-League selection, a fourth-team All-State choice, and a McDonald's All-American nominee.

Rogers' smooth ride up the basketball ladder, though, hit some turbulence when she started playing this winter for the Princeton University women's hoops squad.

Struggling to adjust to the demands of the game at the next level, Rogers found herself only seeing action for brief stretches early in the season.

"They definitely got to me in the beginning, it was overwhelming," said Rogers referring to the intensive tutelage she was

receiving from the Princeton coaching staff.

"In high school, if you're the best player, you don't make mistakes very often or you're not told. Here, a mistake can be the difference between a win or a loss. That one foot you didn't run under the basket to get a rebound could be the difference between a win or a loss."

Getting an opportunity for more playing time after classmate Meg Cowher went down with a foot injury earlier this month, Rogers has proved to be a quick study. After not scoring in double figures in Princeton's first 17 games, Rogers is averaging 10.8 points an outing in the Tigers' last five contests.

Last Saturday, she poured in a career-high 14 points to help Princeton earn a hard-fought 53-50 win over Ivy title contender Brown.

In the wake of the win over the Bears, who had edged Princeton in overtime when the two teams met in January, Rogers said she is developing a comfort level.

"I think my quickness in the post is a threat," said Rogers, who snared six rebounds in the win over Brown and made several clever moves in the paint.

"At first I didn't know how to use that but the coaches have helped me to figure it out and play smart. I think they have more confidence in what I can do because I have more confidence."

The Tigers gained some collective confidence with the way they outlasted Brown. Leading the game by 27-25 at the half, Princeton found itself trailing 39-37 with 13 minutes remaining in regulation.

Keeping their heads, however, the Tigers built a 49-41 lead with 3:36 left. The Bears, who came into the night with a 7-2 Ivy mark good for second in the league standings, then reeled off a 9-0 run to take a 50-49 lead with 1:36 to go.

Princeton came up big in crunch time as Katy Digovich scored on a putback under the basket to give the Tigers

a 51-50 edge and then hit two free throws to seal the victory.

For Tiger head coach Richard Barron, the win over Brown was particularly sweet since the Tigers were missing the services of Cowher and junior star Becky Brown, who was out with a sprained ankle. "We really played smarter this game," said Barron, whose team improved to 12-10 overall and 4-5 in Ivy play.

"To do it without three starters makes it extremely satisfying. I think this is part of the growth curve of the team. We were in a situation last year when Casey Lockwood went down and we didn't rally around her being out."

The victory over Brown capped a solid weekend for the Tigers which began with Princeton cruising past Yale 75-49. Barron, for his part, had a feeling that his club was primed to take care of business.

"This week we really worked on them on being focused," asserted Barron, who got 16 points from Katy O'Brien in the win over Brown with Digovich chopping in eight points and eight rebounds. "We talked a lot about discipline issues, commitment levels, and work ethic."

Barron was happy with the commitment shown by the fast-improving Rogers. "I think she is developing a confidence," said Barron referring to Rogers. "She still makes mistakes, there were four turnovers in there tonight. To be a freshman and to be thrown into playing extended minutes, she's not doing bad. She is so good at facing the basket. If she has any space at all, she can really create."

Barron, whose team has won three of its last four games, is hoping the Tigers can build on that momentum to create a strong finish.

"It's nice that we've had this stretch where other people have gotten a chance to step up and play well," said Barron, whose team was slated to play at Penn on February 22 before hosting Columbia on February 25 and Cornell on February 26.

"Maybe when we get back to full strength, we can end on a positive note. If we can find



DIGGING IN: Princeton University sophomore forward Katy Digovich drives to the basket in the Tigers' recent loss to Dartmouth. Last Saturday, Digovich came off the bench to score eight points and grab eight rebounds as Princeton edged Brown 53-50. Digovich scored the final four points of the game as the Tigers improved to 12-10 overall and 4-5 in Ivy League play.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)



DOUBLE PLAY: Princeton University junior guard Katy O'Brien looks for an opening in recent action. Last Friday, O'Brien had the first double-double of her career as she scored 11 points and had 10 assists to help Princeton beat Yale 75-49. A night later, O'Brien scored a team-high 16 points in sparking the Tigers to a 53-50 win over Brown. In upcoming action, Princeton hosts Columbia on February 25 and Cornell on February 26.

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FREAKY FRIDAY: Princeton University junior guard Scott Greenman, foreground, hustles after a loose ball in recent action. Last Friday, Princeton lost 59-43 at Yale, marking the third straight Friday night setback for the Tigers. A day later, Princeton found its shooting eye as it hit on a season-high 65 percent from the floor in a 69-52 win at Brown.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Tiger Men's Hoops Sharp in Brown Win But Still Searching for Consistency

Joe Scott expected to see a stinker when he reviewed the game tape of the loss suffered by his Princeton University men's basketball team at Yale last Friday.

After all, Princeton fell behind 28-16 at the halftime and trailed the Bulldogs by 32-16 with 15:29 to go. While the Tigers cut the deficit to 45-40 with 3:24, Yale finished the game with an 14-3 run to earn a 59-43 win before 1,924 at the Lee Amphitheatre.

In the wake of breaking down the game film, Scott concluded that things weren't nearly as bleak as they seemed during the game.

"We watched the tape and it wasn't as bad as it appeared to the team," said Scott. "There were guys open all over the place. We just weren't getting the ball to them."

Still, with the loss marking the third straight week that Princeton has fallen on Friday, Scott is at a loss when assess-

ing that troubling trend.

"There is no explanation," lamented Scott, who got a career-high 18 points from freshman Noah Savage in the loss to Yale. "We don't seem to be ready to play. It's something you can't put your finger on. We made a couple of mistakes defensively against Yale that put us in a hole. We're not always zeroed in on the things that we have to be good at all the time."

Advising his players before their game at Brown on Saturday that they had squandered openings against Yale, the Tigers hit the floor against the Bears ready to go.

Shooting a sizzling 70 percent from the floor in the first half, Princeton went into the dressing room with a 33-28 lead at the break. Reeling off 10 straight points after the break, Princeton took control of the contest in cruising to a 69-52 rout before 1,637 at the Pizzatola Center.

Scott was understandably pleased with how his club responded to Friday night's setback. "We had more lay-ups," said Scott, whose team ended up shooting a season-high 65 percent in the Brown win as it improved to 12-11 overall and 3-6 in Ivy League play.

"We're moving harder and faster on offense. They are really cutting hard. We told them that if they run the offense, they will be in position to take advantage of things."

A key factor in the win over Brown was the play of Princeton's seniors. Co-captain Will Venable scored 18 points as he moved to 956 on his career while senior reserve center Mike Stephens tallied 15 points in hitting double figures for the second game in a row.

"They played well," said Scott referring to his core of

seniors. "It was our older guys against their older guys. We need our seniors to play well whether it means getting a rebound, making passes, or putting the ball in the hole."

Scott's team faces another tough road swing which will see it play at Columbia on February 25 and at Cornell on February 26.

"Maybe things are getting clearer," said Scott, whose club moved out of the Ivy cellar with its win over Brown and now sits in sixth place. "Columbia (12-11, 3-7 Ivy) will be extremely physical, even more so at their place. Cornell (11-12, 6-4 Ivy) has been playing well."

More than anything, Scott is hoping that his team can develop some consistency as they head into the home stretch of the season.

"We need to do it two times in a row," asserted Scott. "We need to play well on a Friday and then we need to do it for a three-game period. We can't control whether shots go in but we can control the effort and the mental attention to our staples. That's why all these games are important, for the seniors as well as the younger guys."

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NOBLE SAVAGE: Princeton University freshman forward Noah Savage lies in for a shot in Princeton's recent win over Columbia. Last Friday, Savage, a Princeton resident and Hun School graduate, hit a career-high 18 points in the Tigers' 59-43 loss at Yale. Princeton, which topped Brown 69-52 a night later to improve to 12-11 overall and 3-6 in Ivy League action, plays at Columbia on February 25 and at Cornell on February 26.

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Tiger Women's Hockey Seeks Punch As It Shoots to Produce Big Finish

With his Princeton University women's ice hockey team deadlocked 0-0 at the University of Vermont late in the game last Friday, Jeff Kampersal was more than a little uneasy.

"Panic was the word," said Kampersal with a rueful chuckle in recalling his emotions. "Their defense was really tough and they always play really hard."

The Tigers, though, gave their coach some relief as they broke through on a Katharine Maglione goal with 7:56 remaining and then padded the final margin to 2-0 with an empty-net goal by Liz Keady in the last minute of play.

While Kampersal was relieved to get away with the win, he acknowledged that his team's struggle points to a deeper issue.

"Our kids worked hard but they are offensively challenged," said Kampersal, whose club outshot the Dartmouths 48-13 on the evening with Tiger goalie Roxanne Gaudiel recording her sixth shutout of the season. "We need to be more shifty around the net. We need to use head fakes and other stuff to get better chances."

Princeton's lack of offensive firepower and a defensive lapse doomed it to a 2-1 loss at No. 3 Dartmouth a night later with only senior captain Becky Stewart finding the back of the net for the Tigers.

"In the first period, our kids came out a little tentative," said Kampersal in reflecting on a defeat which left the ninth-ranked Tigers with an overall record of 14-7-5 and 8-6-3 in ECAC Hockey

League play. "We had a bad turnover which led to their first goal. The kids responded higher gear as it faces the fast well, they outshot Dartmouth week of the regular season. The Tigers currently sit in a We outshot them 14-5 in the three-way tie for fifth-place in the ECACHL and need two



HIGH WATTAGE: Princeton University sophomore forward Laura Watt scoots up the ice with the puck in a game last month. Last Saturday, the Tigers fell 2-1 at Dartmouth to move to an overall record of 14-7-5 and 8-6-3 in ECAC Hockey League play. Battling for home ice in the upcoming ECACHL playoffs, the Tigers wind up the regular season by playing at Yale on February 23 before hosting Union for a two-game set on February 25-26.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

wins to sew up the home ice for the first round of the upcoming league playoffs.

"The Yale game is the biggest game of the year for us," said Kampersal, whose club plays at Yale on February 23 before hosting Union for a two-game set on February 25-26.

"Playing Yale is like looking in the mirror for us, they are a feisty team. Union has been knocked around a bit in the league but they have a good coach. I never question my players' effort, they just need to produce more to match their effort."

—Bill Alden

Tiger Women's Squash Takes 4th in Howe Cup

Hosting the Howe Cup national team championship for the first time, the Princeton University women's squash team placed fourth in the competition.

The Tigers cruised past Dartmouth 8-1 to start the weekend but fell 8-1 to Yale in the semifinals and then dropped a 6-3 decision to Trinity in the third-place match.

Princeton completes its season by competing in the CSA Singles Tournament from March 4-5 in Hanover, N.H.

Tiger Mens' Hockey Posts Weekend Split

Led by Keith Shattenkirk and Grant Goeckner-Zoeller, the Princeton University men's ice hockey team got its weekend off to a strong start as it beat visiting Dartmouth 6-2 last Friday.

Shattenkirk scored two goals while Goeckner-Zoeller added a goal and an assist as

the Tigers snapped a six-game winless streak in the win over the Big Green.

Princeton, however, was unable to build on that win as it fell 4-1 to Vermont a night later with Mike Moore scoring the Tigers' lone goal.

Princeton, now 7-18-2 overall and 5-15-1 in ECAC Hockey League play, completes regular season action by playing at Rensselaer on February 25 and at Union on February 26.

Tiger Women's Water Polo Tops GW to Improve to 7-1

Led by freshman Carolina Ardila, the Princeton women's water polo team defeated George Washington 8-4 last Sunday in the Bucknell Invitational at Lewisburg, Pa. to improve to 7-1 on the season.

Ardila scored three goals for the Tigers and was joined on the Princeton score sheet by Samantha Shaughnessy, Jazmin Brown, Elyse Colgan, Jessica Harkins, and Danielle Carlson.

Princeton completed the weekend 3-1 at the Bucknell invitational. The Tigers take their 7-1 record to the Santa Barbara Invitational next weekend at UC Santa Barbara.

Tiger Men's Volleyball Falls 3-1 to NJIT

Squandering an early edge, the Princeton University men's volleyball team fell 3-1 to NJIT in action last Saturday.

The Tigers won the opening game 30-18, but the Highlanders proceeded to rally for wins of 30-27, 32-30, and 30-27 in taking the match.

Peter Eichler led Princeton with 15 kills and eight digs, while Blake Robinson had 14

kills and a .281 attack percentage. Sean Vitousek added 13 kills, five blocks, and two digs, while Jack Pichard added 55 assists.

Princeton, now 2-6, will play at George Mason on February 26 before beginning a seven-match homestand with a battle against Rutgers-Newark on March 1.

Tiger Track Teams Excel at Invitational

The Princeton University track team produced some fine performances as it hosted the Princeton Invitational last Saturday.

In the men's competition, Princeton won three events with Jeff Byrne taking first in the 3,000, Mike Weishun winning the high jump, and Andrew Park claiming the pole vault.

The Princeton women's squad, for its part, won four events. Juliette Poussot won the 200, Heather Iaturo took first in the 1000, Catha Mulien took the 800, and Marta Pardo was the victor in the triple jump.

In upcoming action, the Princeton track teams compete in the Ivy League Heptagonal championship meet on February 26-27 at Cambridge, Mass.



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TOUGH CUSTOMER: Hun School senior guard Jill Fonseca (No. 10) fights for the ball in a game last month. Fonseca's competitive fire has helped Hun put together a 22-2 record. The Raiders will conclude their special season by facing Peddie in the state Prep A title game on February 23.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Sparked by Fonseca's Competitive Fire, Hun Girls' Hoops Primed for Prep Finale

As a three-sport star at the Hun School, Jill Fonseca has played on a lot of good teams over the last four years.

But she's never played on a

team quite like this year's Raider girls' basketball team.

As Hun has piled up win after win this winter, Fonseca and her teammates have grown closer and closer.

Last Wednesday, the team's talent and togetherness was on ample display as the Raiders cruised past Blair 62-43 in a state Prep A semifinal match-up to improve to 21-1.

Nearly every player on the roster made a contribution and the starters put as much effort in cheering from the bench as they did when they were on the court dismantling the Buccaneers.

In reflecting on her last ever home basketball game, Fonseca acknowledged that Hun's success this winter had even surprised her.

"This is the best senior season I could ask for," said Fonseca, who contributed 11 points in the rout of Blair.

"From the beginning of the season, I knew we would be good but I never expected this much out of the team. It's definitely been my favorite team ever. Winning makes you get along better and the team chemistry we have is amazing. We're really close."

Fonseca certainly relished beating old nemesis Blair for the third time this season. "Last year, they beat us three times with the last one being in the state semis," recalled Fonseca, who has been a standout for Hun in soccer and softball.

"I guess we just did to them what they did to us. We knew that beating a team three times is hard and we just wanted to come out strong."

The Raiders did just that as they utilized their customary stifling defense and some effective fast-breaking to jump out to a 22-2 lead over Blair.

After a brief lull in the second quarter, Hun went into

overdrive in the early moments of the second half as they built a cushion of 56-31 going into the final quarter.

"Our game this year has always been to fast break," said Fonseca. "We catch them off guard by running a lot. I guess they had a lot of trouble catching up with us."

While Fonseca prides herself on her defensive prowess, her scoring production has increased as the Raiders have perfected their running game.

"I've been trying to get more offensive and open up my play because I'm quick and I can get down the court," said Fonseca, who is heading to Colgate this fall where she plans to play soccer. I pick up the fast breaks more because I know Tee [Shantee Darrian] will get it to me."

Hun head coach Bill Holup credits Fonseca with bringing a special feistiness to the Raiders. "Jill is a competitor," said Holup, whose club fell to powerful Peddie 62-40 last Sunday in the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) championship game to move to 22-2 on the season.

"She is physical on the court and she does not want to lose. She brings that attitude. She's having fun but she's making sure that her girl isn't going to beat her. What we really look for from her is that toughness."

Hun's toughness was readily apparent as it exploited Blair's weaknesses in building its commanding early margin. "We knew that the previous two times we played them that their transition defense was not all that strong," explained Holup.



LEFT-HANDED COMPLEMENT: Hun School junior forward Mary Stinson drives to the hoop in recent action. The 6'0 Stinson has emerged as a key offensive force down low for Hun this season, averaging 11 points a game for the Raiders. Last Sunday, Stinson scored 12 points as Hun fell 62-40 to Peddie in the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) championship game. The Raiders, whose two losses this season have come to Peddie, will get one last crack at the Falcons on February 23 in the state Prep A championship game.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

"We had Shantee down low on the 1-3-1 and we were able to get some of those rebounds. We did a good job of getting a lot of easy buckets."

In Holup's view, the leadership he has gotten from his corps of seniors which includes Fonseca, Darrian, Nadine Maeser, Ica Morales, Bis Fries, and Chelsey Baxter played a key role in getting the team on all cylinders this winter.

"They've been great," said Holup, noting that Fonseca, Morales, Fries, and Baxter helped the Raiders advance to the state Prep A finals when they were freshmen (Maeser and Darrian later transferred into the program).

"The kids really support each other. They are always cheering and making sure that everybody does well. That's one of the advantages of having senior leadership."

That leadership has resulted

in the team being confident as they face the formidable challenge of toppling perennial state Prep A champion Peddie in the state title game on February 23 to be played at Notre Dame.

"Without a doubt, this is the best team I've ever had," said Holup, whose club's only losses this winter have come to Peddie.

"We're confident. We gave them a good battle in the first game. We've got to make sure that we take care of the ball and play good defense. We've got a good shot at it."

Fonseca, for her part, believes that Hun is up to the challenge. "We just have to stay sharp for four quarters and not get rattled because it's them," asserted Fonseca. "We know who they are and what they are. I just don't want the season to be over."

A win over Peddie would be leave Fonseca with a fitting finale to her favorite season.

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PDS Boys' Hockey Can't Overcome Deficit As Prep Title Run Ends in Loss to Mo-Beard

With just over four minutes remaining in the state boys' Prep title game last Wednesday, Princeton Day School senior star Will Denise glanced up at the scoreboard and just bowed his head.

The numbers reflected on the board didn't paint a pretty picture as they showed that PDS was trailing visiting Morristown-Beard by a 3-0 margin.

But with PDS coming into the night having won seven straight prep titles, Denise and his teammates weren't about to go down without a fight before their home fans.

Denise swooped in for a goal with 3:59 remaining and then David Brownschidle tallied with 30 seconds left in regulation.

With the PDS fans whipped into a frenzy, the Panthers

earned a face-off in front of the Mo-Beard goal with eight seconds left. The Panthers, though, couldn't get off another shot as their prep title reign finally came to an end.

After consoling his squad, PDS head coach Chris Barless shook his head as he assessed the loss.

"We didn't answer the call until there were four minutes left and by that time we had dug ourselves a three-goal deficit," said Barless, whose club fell to 15-5-2 with the setback. My hat's off to Mo-Beard, they outworked us for two and a half periods."

The Panthers were done in by a bad eight-minute stretch in the second period when they surrendered three goals.

"The first goal came on a turnover in the neutral zone," explained Barless. "On the second goal, we messed up coverage in the zone. We had bad coverage off a face-off. On their third goal, our defenseman shot a puck into their shinguards. We kind of got three unlucky bounces and it was just too big of a deficit for us to dig ourselves out of."

Barless, though, wasn't surprised that his team nearly overcame those bad breaks. "You can't say enough about the character of the guys in that locker room," asserted Barless.

"We knocked off a top-3 team in the beginning of the week in Seton Hall Prep. We tied Lawrenceville 1-1. We have had seven one-goal games. We're 15-5 and we could easily be 5-15."

A key reason that PDS has been able to prevail in the close ones has been the play of the dynamic Denise.

"He's unbelievable," said Barless of the diminutive senior forward who has scored a team-high 34 points on 18 goals and 16 assists. "He's a special kid to have as part of our program. It's too bad that he is a senior. He's just a great kid."

The pleasure of getting the chance to coach players like Denise outweighed the sting of seeing his program's state title run come to an end.

"I'm disappointed tonight," added Barless. "I'm still thrilled to death with the way that we have played this season. It hurts a little but it still won't effect what these kids have done."

The Panthers get the chance to do some more special things as they conclude their season by hosting their annual PDS Invitational on February 26-27.

"Our tournament is always pretty tough," said Barless, whose team will welcome Kingswood-Oxford, Rye Country Day, and St Mary's (Long Island) into town for the event.

"Our seniors have won three in a row and this will be an opportunity to win four tournaments in a row. It's important to us; it's the end of the season. No matter what you do, you want to win your last game of the season so hopefully we'll win the tournament."

If the Panthers can keep that string alive, Denise and his teammates will be able to smile as they glance up at the scoreboard in the waning moments of the season.

—Bill Alden



DOWN AND OUT: Princeton Day School defenseman Patrick McDonald, right, hits the ice as he battles a Mo-Beard player last Wednesday as PDS dropped a 3-2 decision to the Crimson in the Prep title game. The Panthers, who dropped to 15-5-2 with the setback, host their annual PDS Invitational from February 26-27.

(Photo by Bill Allen for SportAction)



END OF AN ERA Princeton Day School senior star and captain Will Denise, left, glumly accepts the second-place trophy from PDS athletic director John Levandowski last Wednesday after the Panthers fell 3-2 to Morristown-Beard in the state Prep championship game. PDS came into the game having won seven straight state Prep titles.

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Millar Helps Lead PHS Boys' Swimmers To a Fifth Consecutive Sectional Final

Matt Millar hit the water this past fall to get in better shape for his final season of swimming at Princeton High.

But instead of putting in extra laps in the pool, Millar's training consisted of rowing on Lake Mercer with the Mercer juniors.

Hardened by his hours of pulling oars in the boat, Millar has produced a stellar senior season which has seen him

pile up points for the Little Tigers in the freestyle, butterfly, and the relays.

Last Thursday, Millar placed second in the 50-yard fly, third in the 50 free and helped the 200 medley and 200 free relay teams to first-place finishes as PHS cruised to a 119-51 win over WW/P-N in a Central Jersey Public B sectional semifinal matchup.

In reflecting on his improve-

ment this winter, Millar gave a major share of the credit to his rowing experience.

"This is the first time I've come off a fall sport into swimming so I think that helped me out a lot," said the genial Millar with a smile.

"Having a whole season of being active as opposed to sitting around, I went into the swimming season in shape. It started me off on a different level. I'm much better at just about everything I do."

Millar thought PHS hit a higher level in its performance against WW/P-N. "We're really getting into the state meet format," said Millar, who looked to keep improving when PHS faced undefeated Rumson in the sectional final scheduled for February 22.

"We're trying a lot harder in our practice goals. We're trying a lot harder in the meets. We're just looking to get better all the time. I think that everyone in general was getting faster. I think that's going to continue."

PHS head coach Greg Hand is confident that his boys'



TOM TERRIFIC: Princeton High senior swim star Tom McKinley powers through the water in a recent practice session. Last Thursday, McKinley won the 50-yard freestyle and helped PHS win both the 200 free and 200 medley relays as it topped WW/P-N 119-51 in a Central Jersey Public B sectional semifinal matchup.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

swimmers can keep getting better as they compete in the program's fifth straight sectional final.

In topping the Northern Knights, PHS' individual winners included Pete Hand, the top finisher in both the 200

individual medley and the 100 breaststroke, Tom McKinley, the winner of the 50 free, Ben Wilde, the victor in the 100 free, Joe Carroll, the top swimmer in the 500 free, and Connor Bowman the winner of the 100 backstroke.

"State meets are a gut check," asserted Hand. "We're used to having plenty of recovery [between races]. Some teams in New Jersey swim single gender and they know what it feels like to finish a race and then get right up again for another race."

Hand noted with a smile that at least one of his swimmers lost his guts in the process last Thursday. "We had one kid who got out of the pool and walked immediately to the garbage can and threw up," said Hand.

"Then he got right back in for the next one. That's the nature of swimming, particularly at these meets. We tell our swimmers to swim hard and have fun, that's a lot easier said than done."

Hand has had a lot of fun observing Millar's progress. "Matt has a terrific temperament," asserted Hand of his senior star who is headed to Yale this fall.

"He works as hard as anybody to do every piece of every workout exactly as he is asked to. He's come along every year with positive feedback coming from the clock."

In Hand's view, Millar has made particularly large strides in his final high school campaign. "It wasn't until this year that I started seeing him as a really fast kind," explained Hand, whose club improved to 12-2 with the win. "A lot of that is due to his rowing. He's much stronger and can apply that strength for longer periods than he used to be able to."

Millar and his classmates are looking to leave the program with a strong legacy. "It's a good feeling to be part of a team that can do that consistently," said Millar, reflecting on the team's run of sectional finals.

"We try to set an example for the rest of the team. We're trying to do what the guys years ago did for us, showing us how to win and be fast swimmers."

Millar's thirst for improvement has certainly set a good example for his teammates.

—Bill Alden



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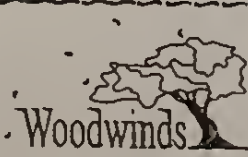
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Buoyed by Carroll's Talent, Toughness, PHS Girls' Swimmers in Sectional Final

While Maddy Carroll typically piles up points for the Princeton High girls' swim squad in the freestyle, she is ready to do whatever event is needed by the team.

Last Friday, when PHS head coach Greg Hand asked Carroll to swim the 100 butterfly against Metuchen in the Public B Central Jersey sectional semifinal, the senior star was surprised but ready to give her best.

Although she has hardly competed in that event this season, Carroll went out and gave the Little Tigers an inspirational win as she shook off mid-race fatigue to clock a 1:03.73 winning time.

Carroll's effort epitomized the all-for-one, one-for-all attitude that helped carry PHS to a surprisingly easy 115-55 win.

The Little Tigers were slated to go for their second straight sectional crown on February 22 against formidable Rumson. The state Public B semifinals are scheduled for February 24 with the championship meet to be held on February 26.

The red-headed Carroll broke into a wide grin when she assessed her effort in the fly. "I think I have swum the 100 fly twice this season," said Carroll, who also finished second in the 100 backstroke. "I think I did a 1:05 the second time, I wanted to break 1:05 and I went 1:03. I was really happy with that."

Carroll helped PHS get the meet off to a rousing start as she anchored the 200 medley was starting to generate a different spirit," asserted Hand, whose team improved to 11-1 with the win.

"There was singing, chanting, lots of support. Our kids were mentally prepared. I think that if had been a closer meet they still would've performed well."

Hand acknowledged that he got one of his most spirited performances from Carroll. "She swam so tough," said Hand, who also cited the efforts of Kathleen Morrison, Sholl, and Gabi Cifuentes.

"To go a second faster in the fly without practicing it a lot shows talent and toughness. She was really stroking up and feeling heavy in the third 25 but she swam right through it and did better at the finish than she did in the middle. That takes a lot of discipline and determination."

In Hand's view, his team's collective determination was forged last year during its stunning state tournament run.

"There was a sense that the team up. I think the senior best way to channel the nervousness connected with a high stakes meet is to just go needed to bring us all in there and swim fast," asserted Hand in reflecting on the impact of last season's experience.

While PHS coach Hand had initially expected a much closer meet from Metuchen, "You psych up your teammates and you get energy that his team was bringing a back from them. I have the special spirit into the sense they could've been down by 50 points and still had been just as positive."

For Hand, no matter how the last few days that the team



RARE FORM: Princeton High sophomore Ali Mercuro sharpens her freestyle form in a recent practice session. Last Thursday, Mercuro took third in the 50 freestyle and swam a leg on the first-place 200 free relay team to help PHS to a 115-55 win over Metuchen in the Central Jersey Public B sectional semifinals.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

far this year's team goes, it less of whether these guys win has been a positive experience. "You can see it, it's a team. I think that's because fun team to be on," explained the seniors are so mature and Hand. "There are other teams such nice kids."

where a team is pretty Carroll is certainly having a together but it doesn't quite great time as she wraps up click on all cylinders. Regarding her high school swimming career. "It's a great feeling," said Carroll when asked what it meant to be going back to a second straight sectional final. "We are really happy to be this strong this year. I've really had a lot of fun this year."

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Kids and Divorce: Who Pays for College?

The purpose of this column is to highlight some of the main issues relevant to judicial determinations over who pays for a child's post-secondary education. In general, there are two scenarios under which disputes over a child's education come to light in the context of divorce: As part of the divorce proceeding and/or as an application made after the divorce. During the divorce process, issues pertaining to a child's education can be negotiated and incorporated into a settlement agreement, with the usual issues of custody, equitable distribution, etc.

It is also commonplace for educational issues to arise after the parties divorce. The remoteness of certain events (e.g., an infant's future enrollment in college) can impede a definitive resolution of the issue at the time of divorce. Often in these cases, lawyers and/or judges may rely upon elastic language to resolve the issue in the interim until the child's educational needs become more clear. In the event that ability to pay, selection, or any other issue relevant to a child's education are contested in the future, then a party can bring a post-judgment motion to open these issues to the court for resolution.

A child's educational needs, "including" but not limited to "higher education," are recognized by New Jersey statute. A child's education is a factor in awards not only of child support but also of custody, alimony and equitable distribution. In determining whether it is appropriate to obligate a parent to pay the cost of post-secondary education, the court will consider many factors including:

1. Whether the parent, if still living with the child, would have contributed toward the costs of the requested higher education
2. The effect of the background, values and goals of the parent on the reasonableness of the expectation of the child for higher education
3. The amount of the contribution sought by the child for the cost of higher education
4. The ability of the parent to pay that cost
5. The relationship of the requested contribution to the kind of school or course of study sought by the child
6. The financial resources of both parents
7. The commitment to and aptitude of the child for the requested education
8. The financial resources of the child, including assets owned individually or

held in custodianship or trust

9. The ability of the child to earn income during the school year or on vacation
10. The availability of financial aid in the form of college grants and loans
11. The child's relationship to the paying parent, including mutual affection and shared goals as well as responsiveness to parental advice and guidance
12. The relationship of the education requested to any prior training and to the overall long-range goals of the child

An additional issue to consider can develop when a parent has a child support obligation, to which the other parent seeks to add a level of college contribution. Upon establishing a parent's obligation to contribute to higher education, whether by agreement or by court order, it is possible that the parent's child support obligation for that child will be modified downward. The reason for this lies in the fact that the Child Support Guidelines,² the statutory scheme by which child support is calculated for parents with a combined net annual income up to \$150,800, do not include college contribution in the child support equation.¹ Therefore, the level of contribution may offset the child support obligation to give the obligated parent a "credit" for his or her contributions to the child's education. Moreover, the Child Support Guidelines specify that they do not apply to support awards for children over eighteen years old.⁴

As with most issues in family law, the ideal scenario is one where both parties are able to reach an agreement. This is particularly true in cases involving a child's education needs as the child's parents are certainly more able to arrive at a resolution tailored to their child's interests, as well as the child's personality and preferences, than a court. However, in the event that an agreement cannot be reached, there is a legal framework available to resolve the issues in dispute.

1. Newburgh v. Arrigo, 88 N.J. 529, 545, 441 A.2d 1031, 1038-9 (1982).
2. "Considerations in the Use of Child Support Guidelines," App. IX-A, N.J. Court Rules (GANN 2002).
3. Id. at para. 20(a), p. 224v.
4. Id. at para. 18, p. 227v.

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FINAL BLOW: Hun School senior star Matt Torstrup, right, helps lead the charge on the Princeton Day School goalie in early season action. Last Monday, Torstrup had a goal and an assist but it wasn't enough as the Raiders fell 5-4 to Notre Dame in the quarterfinals of the Mercer County Tournament (MCT). The defeat left Hun with a final record of 10-7-3.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

PHS Boys' Ice Hockey Advances to MCT Semis; Hun Falls to Notre Dame in Bid to Defend Title

Last winter, the Hun School boys' hockey team knocked off powerful Notre Dame on the way to winning the Mercer County Tournament (MCT). This Monday, the Raiders seemed to be up to their old tricks as they faced the Irish in an MCT quarterfinal clash at ice land.

Coming into the game as the MCT's eighth seed, Hun got an early edge on top-seeded Notre Dame as Raider forward Justin Schleifer scored the game's first goal in what turned into a topsy-turvy contest. After the once-beaten Irish replied with two goals of their

own to take a 2-1 lead early in the second period, Hun's Matt Torstrup scored to knot the game at 2-2. When Notre Dame took a 3-2 lead, Hun kept fighting as A.J. Blackburn scored to even the score at 4-3. After Notre Dame replied with yet another second-period goal, the Raiders deadlocked the game as Drew Mervin found the back of the net to make the score 4-4 entering the third period.

In the final 15 minutes, Hun tried valiantly to add to their tally as one shot hit the crossbar and an apparent goal was waved off due to a crease violation. The Irish edged ahead 5-4 and had to withstand one last Hun charge as the Raiders had a 5-on-3 advantage in the waning moments of the game but couldn't convert.

While the loss left Hun with a final record of 10-7-3, Raider head coach Francois Bourbeau had no qualms with the effort he got from his charges in their final game of the season.

Playing in one of the other MCT quarterfinal matchups, the Princeton High boys'

squad saved its best for last in the back of the net four times a contest against archrival as the Little Tigers pulled away to an 8-4 triumph.

Trailing the Pirates 4-3 entering the third period, PHS sophomore forward John Ryan took over the game. The prolific Ryan, who came into the night as the No. 3 scorer in the area with 48 points on 29 goals and 19 assists, found

semifinals.

The Little Tigers will be hitting the ice with a chip on their shoulder as they fell to the Bulldogs last year in the Titans Cup. The winner of the game will advance to the MCT title game on February 25.

—Bill Alden



POWER PLAY: Princeton High sophomore Peter Miller bursts through defenders in a recent game. Last Monday, PHS topped WW/P-S 8-4 in a Mercer County Tournament (MCT) quarterfinal clash, the Little Tigers, now 16-4-1, face Hopewell Valley in the MCT semis on February 23 with the winner advancing to the title game on February 25.

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Ever wonder how professional actors prepare to play parts as athletes in movies? Most of them have relied on a company called ReelSports, which trains actors to accurately and believably portray athletes. The company's students have included Cuba Gooding Jr. for Jerry Maguire (he won the Oscar for best supporting actor), Bernie Mac for Mr. 3000, Jamie Foxx for Any Given Sunday, and the skaters in Miracle. ReelSports is the brain child of a former college athlete named Mark Ellis and a former sports executive named Rob Miller. The company also helps producers with scripts, casting and choreography. It's credo: If you don't believe the catch in the end zone, you won't believe the tears in the locker room.

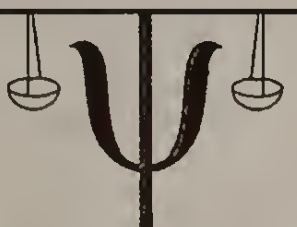
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IN A GOOD SPOT: Princeton Day School soccer star Lauren Hinkel and her parents, Tom and Eileen, are all smiles as she commits to play soccer at Latayette College this coming fall. Hinkel, a prolific striker, should provide a scoring boost for the Leopards, who went 4-12 last fall.

PDS

Boys' Basketball: Drew Godwin passed the 1,000-point career milestone to provide the major highlight as PDS fell 77-63 to Ewing last Friday in a Mercer County Tournament consolation game. Godwin, a junior guard, scored 24 points in the loss to push him to 1,006 points in his PDS career. The defeat left the Panthers with a final record of 7-18.

Girls' Ice Hockey: The Panthers, currently 9-12, have a home game with Summit on February 23 before hosting the annual PDS Invitational from February 26-27.

LAWRENCEVILLE

Boys' Basketball: Despite the double-barrelled attack of Nathan Hawkins and Craig Moore, Lawrenceville fell 64-60 to Hill in the Mid Atlantic Prep League semifinals last Saturday at Mercersburg Academy. Hawkins scored 21 points while Moore added 20 as the Big Red finished the season with a 13-1 mark.

Girls' Hockey: Lawrenceville routed Morristown-Bear 7-1 last Wednesday in the state Prep title game held at the Princeton Day School rink. Two freshmen from Princeton, Becky Mantel and

Sarah Herr, played a major role in the win as they each scored two goals. A third Princeton resident, Payson Sword, also contributed to the Big Red's victory. The win improved Lawrenceville to 15-8-1 on the season.

PHS

Boys' Basketball: Matt Allunario scored a team-high 12 points but it was hardly enough as PHS fell 73-32 to WW/P-N last Friday in a Mercer County Tournament consolation game. The defeat left the Little Tigers with a 4-18 final record.

Girls' Basketball: Erin Cook and Kelly Curtis produced strong efforts as PHS edged Lawrence 38-34 last Friday in a Mercer County Tournament consolation game. Cook scored 14 points while Curtis added 11 as the Little Tigers finished their season with a 9-15 mark. The win total represents a three-fold increase on last season's record.

Wrestling: PHS fell 65-10 to powerful Lawrence last Saturday in their last scheduled dual meet of the season. The Little Tigers will compete this weekend in the District Individual championship meet.

HUN

Wrestling: The Raiders made history as they placed fifth in the state Prep wrestling championships at Newark last Saturday. Hun senior Todd Rinaldo won the state title in the 275-pound class, making him the first Raider in over a decade to win the state crown. Rinaldo pinned Lawrenceville's Imanibom Etukeren in the championship bout. Hun senior star Pat Gallagher also came up big as he finished second at 215 pounds. The Princeton-bound Gallagher fought hard in dropping a 10-4 decision to Peddie's Andrew Jackson in the title match.

STUART

Basketball: Unable to crack Pennington's defense, Stuart fell 54-26 to the Red Raiders last Thursday in the state Prep B semifinals. Kathryn Kitts scored eight points while Kelly Bruvik added six as the Tartans finished their season with a 10-13 record.



FREE FALL: Hun School sophomore star Idris Hilliard shoots a free throw last Wednesday in Hun's 47-45 loss to Peddie in the state Prep A semifinals. Three days later, the Raiders fell to Peddie again as they dropped a 71-66 decision to the Falcons in the Mid-Atlantic Prep League semifinals. The defeat left Hun with a final record of 16-8.

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Princeton Travel Hoops Recent Results

The Princeton Recreation Department's Under-13 boys travel basketball team kept up its winning tradition as it took the title in the North Brunswick Basketball Association's Mayor's Cup Tournament. Princeton won the Mayor's Cup last year as an Under-12 team and defended it this weekend as an Under-13 team.

In winning this year's tourney, Princeton defeated North Brunswick 57-29 in the semifinals and then won the title with a 44-39 victory over Mill-

town. Jon Scott had 12 points and 10 rebounds to lead the way for Princeton in its semifinal win. In the championship game, Josh Gordon paced Princeton with 19 points and 11 rebounds. Skye Ettin added 11 points in the title win.

In regular season action, the Princeton U-13's beat West Windsor 51-41 behind 16 points from Ettin with Seth Sherman contributing 14 points.

The Princeton U-12 girls won two games over the weekend. In Trenton PAL action, Princeton beat Notre Dame 18-12 with Talya Nakash leading the way with eight points and six rebounds as Neta Nakash grabbed six steals. In Flemington League action, Princeton raced past Montgomery 33-21. Janie Smukler paced Princeton with

13 points and Molly Barber added eight. The Princeton U-12 girls are now 17-7 overall.

The Princeton U-14 boys dropped a 42-41 decision to Readington in Montgomery League play. A.J. Dowers led Princeton with 16 points while Brian Dunlap and Chris Bechler added 11 points apiece.

Princeton's U-12 girls' Orange dropped a 23-10 decision to Lawrence in Central Jersey League action. Allie Marchese led Princeton with eight points.

Princeton Little League Holding Registration

The Princeton Little League is now holding registration for the spring 2005 season.

Princeton residents may register via the web at

www.princetonlittleleague.com. Those interested can also register in person on February 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Princeton Township Municipal Building.

New and experienced players registering for the B Minor, A Minor, and Major Leagues, must attend mandatory tryouts at the Hun School gym on March 5-6. Opening day is scheduled for April 2. For more details, log onto the league's website.

Princeton Youth Softball Registration Underway

The Princeton Girls' Softball Association (PGSA) is currently accepting registrations for the upcoming 2005 season.

The PGSA offers a T-Ball Division for kindergartners, a Rookie Division for girls in Grades 1-2, a Minor Division for girls in Grades 3-4 and a Major Division for those in Grades 5-6.

Practices are scheduled to start in the first week of April with the games starting in mid-April and running to Memorial Day. Free clinics are tentatively scheduled for Monday and Wednesday evenings in March at the Princeton High gym.

For registration forms and additional information, log onto the league's website at www.Princetonsoftball.net.

Dillon Youth Basketball February 19 Results

In action last Saturday in the boys' 4th/5th grade division of the Dillon Youth Basketball League, Davon Holliday-Black scored nine points as Iano's Pizza topped the PBA Lions 20-17. Princeton Supply topped Momentum Fitness 23-21 as Ellis Bloom scored nine points and Beau Horan added six. Mason, Griffin & Pierson cruised to a 38-12 win over Princeton Shopping Center led by Ryan Meier with 13 points. Ben Davis scored eight points and Lior Levy had five points to lead Princeton Dental to a 23-19 win over Woodwinds. Matt Lesnik scored 12 points to lead the PBA Bears to a 22-15 win over The Café Jr.

The boys' 6th/7th grade division saw SportsMedicine of Princeton top Larini's Sunoco 37-32 as Jonathan Ostroff scored 15 points with Xavier Corpening and Alex Peters adding eight points

apiece in the win. McCaffrey's topped Ershow Chiropractic 21-17 as David Dunlap had seven points. Momentum Fitness cruised to a 34-9 win over Princeton Amoco as Doug Bryant scored 12 points with Allen Bryant and Owen Wilson adding seven points apiece. Trevor Barsamian had 11 points to lead Blue Point Grill in a 28-21 win over Tull's Terrors. Marcus Budline scored seven points and Eamon Fahey added six as GR Murray Insurance topped the PBA Tigers 25-19.

In games in the boys' 8th/9th grade division, Ken Orchard scored 10 points to lead the Cougars in a 28-27 win over the Knights. Evren Cakir scored 14 points and Jelani Cherryrooks added 10 as the Vikings topped the

Pirates 32-30. Vail Grafton had 16 points and Jordan Lantz added 13 for the Pirates. Scott Gross, Jordan Gross, and Steven Fuchs each scored eight points as the Tigers topped the Raiders 28-21.

In action in the junior girls' division, Susan Farrell scored eight points and Julia Peters added six as the Rockers topped the Mercury 14-10. Callie Jahn scored five points to lead the Comets to a 9-4 win over the Sol.

The senior girls' division saw the Sting top the Fever 22-16 as Kim Abrams scored 10 points and Juliana Kuser added six. Keisha Brown had eight points in the loss. Molly Lynch scored 20 points to lead the Sun to a 34-9 win over the Mystics.



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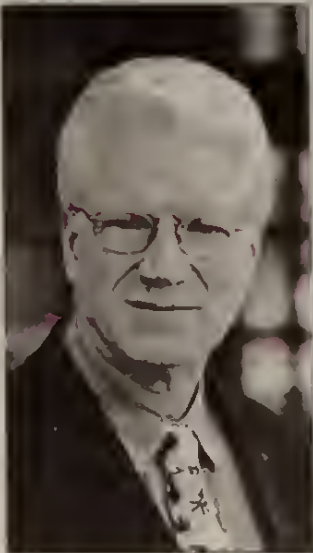
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OBITUARIES



David Bradford

David Bradford, a professor of economics and public affairs and an authority on taxation issues, died yesterday from extensive injuries sustained while escaping from a fire in his home two weeks earlier. He was 66.

Mr. Bradford was a member of Princeton's faculty since 1966, focusing on public sector economics. He also served three U.S. presidents. He was a member of President George H.W. Bush's Council of Economic Advisers from 1991 to 1993 and deputy assistant secretary for tax policy in the U.S. Department of Treasury from 1975 to 1976, when he directed an influential study on income tax reform.

"All members of the University community are immensely saddened at the loss of our beloved colleague and teacher David Bradford. He was a fine scholar and a man of intelligence and integrity," said Anne-Marie Slaughter, dean of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

As a member of the Council of Economic Advisers under the first President Bush, Mr. Bradford worked in areas such as the environment, telecommunications, health care and financial institutions, and taxation. While serving in the Department of Treasury under President Ford, Mr. Bradford directed a study that resulted in the publication "Blueprints for Basic Tax Reform," which is widely regarded as the forerunner of the major U.S. income tax reform enacted in 1986.

Mr. Bradford's published work addressed a wide range of topics, military service recruitment, public utility pricing, criteria for public investment, local government and the economic structure of urban areas, and a variety of income tax issues. His most recent work focused on the

effects of income taxes on the insurance industry.

In his 1986 book, *Untangling the Income Tax* (Harvard University Press), Mr. Bradford offered a comprehensive review of income taxes and their alternatives. He was an early proponent of the consumption tax concept, in which personal income would be taxed only when it is spent on goods and services.

"David was a pioneer in thinking and writing about the consumption tax," said Alan Krueger, a Princeton University professor of economics and public affairs.

Mr. Bradford came to the University as an assistant professor of economics in 1966. He was named an associate professor of economics and public affairs in 1971 and a full professor in 1975. He served twice as acting dean of the Woodrow Wilson School and also had been an associate dean of the school and director of its graduate program.

At the time of his death, Bradford also was an adjunct professor of law at New York University, where he taught tax policy; a research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research in Cambridge, Mass., where he had directed the program of research in taxation for several years; and an adjunct scholar at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research in Washington, D.C.

He also was a member of a variety of state and federal advisory boards, including: the national Railroad Retirement Reform Commission, to which he was appointed by President Reagan in 1988; and the Economic Policy Council of the state of New Jersey, on which he served from 1984 to 1990.

He is survived by his wife, Gundel; his son, Theodore; his daughter, Lulu; four grandchildren; and his sister, Victoria Witte. A gathering in his memory for members of the Princeton University community was held February 22. Details on services and memorial contributions are pending.

Irving N. Rabinowitz

Irving Nathaniel Rabinowitz, 76, of Princeton, died February 16 at the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in New York City, he lived in Princeton for 55 years.

A graduate of Stuyvesant High School in New York and City College of New York, he received his Ph.D. in astrophysics from Princeton University in 1957.

While at Princeton, he worked as a programmer and staff mathematician at the Institute for Advanced Study. He headed the computer sec-

tion of the Plasma Physics Laboratory at Princeton, later becoming associate director of the Computer Center at the University. He held directorships of computer centers at Rutgers University and Stevens Institute of Technology. In 1969, he was appointed professor of computer science at Rutgers University, a position he held until his retirement in 1991.

Over the course of his career, he was a visiting professor at the Indian Institute of Technology in Kanpur; the Technion, in Haifa, Israel; and New York University.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Sandra; two daughters, Sarah Gluck and Rachel Rabinowitz; a sister, Sarah Knox; and two granddaughters.

The funeral service was February 18 at The Jewish Center in Princeton.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Jewish Center in Princeton; or Temple Beth-El in Hillsborough; or MAZON; or Doctors Without Borders.

Louis D. Leiggi

Louis D. Leiggi, 84, of Princeton, died February 15 at home after a long battle with lung cancer.

A lifetime Princeton resident, he was a co-owner of Mike's Tavern on Bayard Lane.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II as a corporal in the 8th Infantry Regiment of the 4th Division and the 464th M.P., Air Force. He was the recipient of the Distinguished Infantry Medal, Senate and General Assembly Citation, World War II Victory Medal, and the European-African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal. He was also been honored by the French government for having landed on Utah Beach on D-Day.

He was a member of the Princeton American Legion Post No. 76 and was an avid supporter of the World War II National Memorial in Washington, D.C.

The son of the late Michele and Lena Leiggi, he is survived by two sons, Louis and Bruce; three daughters, Kathleen Leiggi, Marie Leiggi, and Helen Gainey; three brothers, Albert, Michael, and Alfonso; five grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on February 18 at St. Paul's Church. Interment with military honors followed in Princeton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 529, Princeton 08540; or to Princeton Hospice, 208 Bunn Drive, Princeton 08540.

Arrangements were by The Kimble Funeral Home.

Rocco Vendetti

Rocco Vendetti, 92, of Princeton, died February 16 in the Princeton Care Center.

Born in Princeton, he was a lifelong Princeton resident.

He worked as a Princeton Township police officer in his early years before becoming a self-employed electrician and carpenter until his retirement.

Son of the late Rocco and Angeline Petrone Vendetti, stepson of the late Domenico Germani, husband of the late Angela L. Vendetti, and brother of the late Margaret Butler and Albert Germani, he is survived by a son, Rocky of Princeton Junction; a daughter, Louise Balestrieri of Skillman; a brother, Dominic Germani Jr. of Yardley, Pa.; two sisters, Jay Bemath of Los Angeles, Calif., and Rose Johns of Philadelphia; and one grandson.

A memorial service was held February 19 at The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family.

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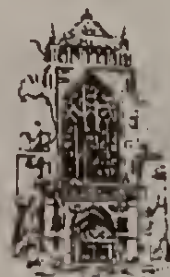
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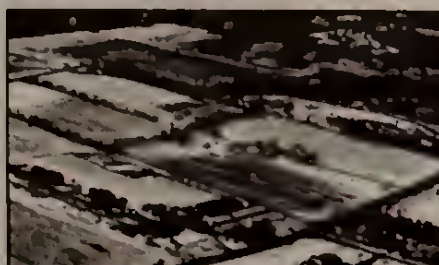
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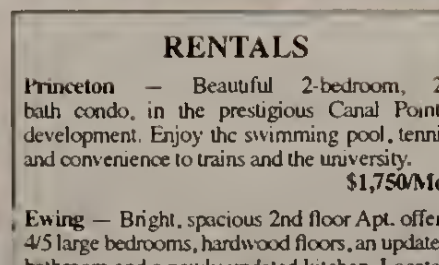
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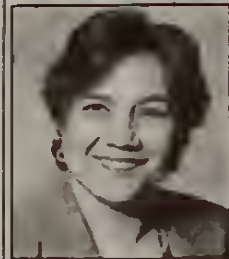
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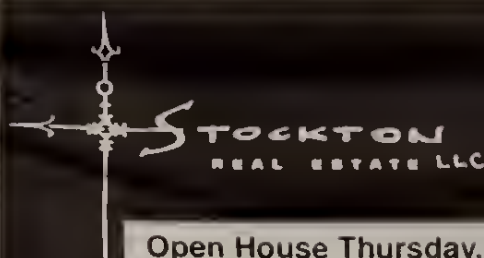
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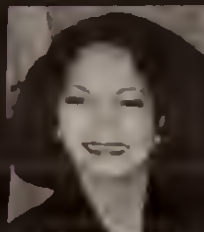
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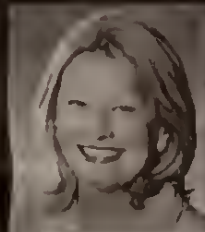
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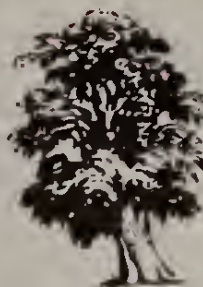
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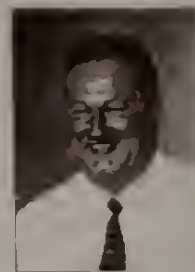
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